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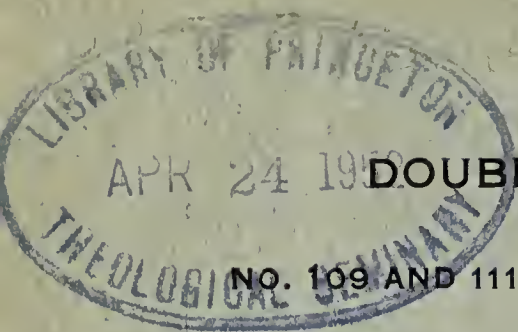


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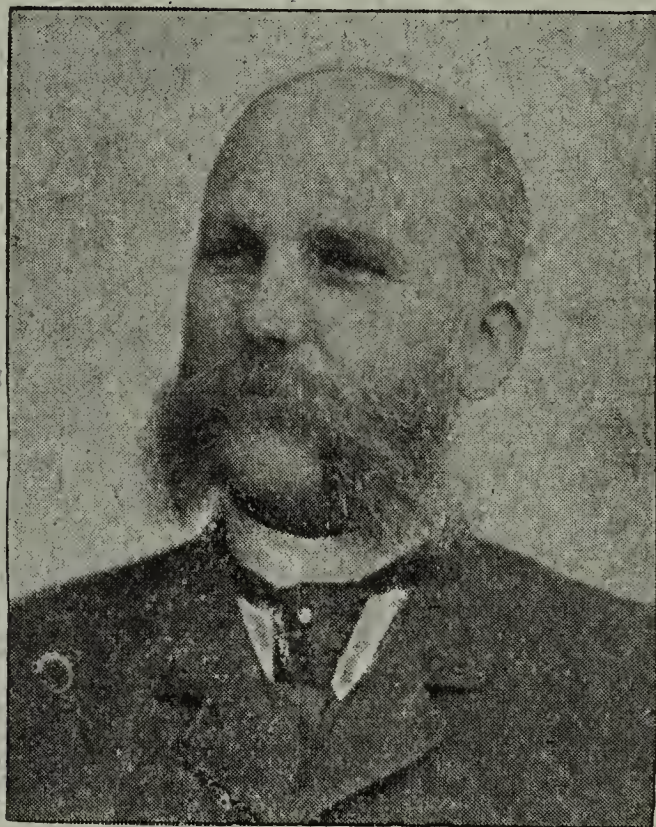
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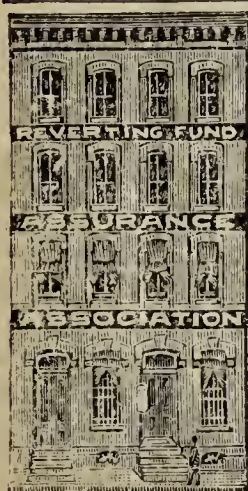
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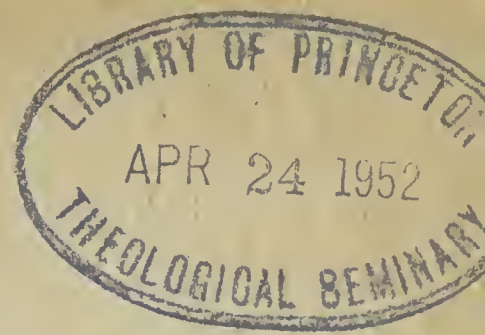
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Conference Proceedings.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

READING, PENNSYLVANIA, October 8, 1891.

The East Pennsylvania Annual Conference, United Brethren in Christ, met in its ninety-second session in the Otterbein United Brethren Church at the above named place.

Bishop E. B. Kephart, of Toledo, Iowa, presiding. Conference was called to order at 8:15 A. M. by the Bishop, who read a Scripture lesson from II. Peter, 2d chapter, and announced hymn 532, "Hymns of the Sanctuary," and after singing led in prayer.

After singing "A charge to keep I have" the Bishop addressed the Conference, after which he proceeded to its organization. The roll was called and twenty-seven ministers and six laymen responded. Rev. I. Baltzell, chairman, and M. J. Mumma and Z. A. Weidler, secretaries of last year, were re-elected. The hours for Conference were fixed at 8:30 A. M. and 2:00 P. M. for meeting, to adjourn on motion. The bar of the Conference was fixed so as to include the first six seats across the room.

The chair announced the following committees:

On Devotion—Revs. M. J. Mumma, I. Baltzell, and Theodore Deysher.

On Candidates for the Ministry—Revs. C. J. Kephart, Z. A. Weidler, and D. D. Lowery.

On Elders' Orders—Revs. C. W. Hutsler, E. Ludwick, and H. D. Lehman.

On Boundaries and Finance—Revs. H. B. Dohner, M. J. Mumma, E. Ludwick, G. W. M. Rigor, H. H. Kreider, and Jonas G. Stehman.

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Missionary Collections—S. L. Swartz.

Church-Extension Fund—J. S. Wissler.

Preachers' Aid and Contingent Fund—Joseph Young.

Church-Erection—M. B. Spayd.

George Reed was elected page for the Conference.

F. Reel returned his transfer received from the Conference, and was on motion received on the same.

The following names of ministers not having charges were called and passed: J. B. Daugherty, J. W. Etter, Thomas Garland, Geo. A. Loose, J. H. Unger, P. E. Deitrich, I. M. Groff, H. V. Mohn, Jos. Young, G. W. Enders, A. H. Kauffman, Simon Mower, J. G. Steiner, J. B. Funk, E. Light, J. X. Quigley, S. L. Swartz, D. S. Early, S. L. Minnich, Jacob Stehman, S. Zimmerman, J. H. Kurtz, and G. W. M. Rigor.

The name of J. A. Clemm was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

The name of P. J. Riland was erased from the Conference roll for non-attendance.

H. B. Dohner, presiding elder of Harrisburg District, read his report, which was received, and his character passed.

PRESIDING ELDER'S REPORT OF HARRISBURG DISTRICT.

To the Presiding Bishop and Members of the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference.

MY DEAR BRETHREN:—It is with profound gratitude to our gracious heavenly Father, because health has been preserved, and life has been sustained, that your unworthy servant, after another year's work has been completed, is permitted to submit his fourth

annual report for your consideration. We also gratefully acknowledge the concerted action, the uniformity of plans, the mutual correspondence, and cordiality that have prevailed during the year among the ministers and laity, which has so essentially and specifically contributed to the prosperity of the different interests pertaining to the work of the Lord. The district, as constituted at the last annual conference, comprises ten stations, five circuits, and two missions.

Peace.

This has been a most significant year for tranquility on the various fields of labor. Unusual freedom from disturbance; a cessation of unfriendly relations that had existed for a considerable time, and that in several instances were apparently irreconcilable, have been amicably adjusted, and not a single interruption worthy of notice has occurred in any of the quarterly conferences that has occasioned or given opportunity for discord. May the Lord God of Israel continue to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Business.

The disciplinary requirements have been very generally observed. The regularity and punctuality in attendance on the part of some of the officers belonging to quarterly conference, were possibly not what they might have been, and as is required, and some of the business meetings were not as interesting and enthusiastic as was desired, but the brethren of the ministry and laity are more convinced than ever of the primary importance to transact the business affairs of the Church with the same system, fervor, and accuracy, basing them on sound business principles, as in the ordinary concerns of life. They realize the importance of adhering with greater firmness and care in the examination of the moral and official character of the members of quarterly conference, in licensing applicants to exhort or preach, in recommending licentiates to annual conference, in keeping the records of the proceedings of official meetings, in classifying the membership of the Church, in making proper estimates of the expenses of the charges or fields of labor, in making fair apportionments, in submitting and hearing reports, and in the election of church officials. All the quarterly conferences were held in person, or by proxy, and all was satisfactory to the best of my knowledge.

Finances.

The liberality of the membership is praiseworthy, and exceeds that of preceding years. This is especially true considering the depression and uncertainties of business in a number of places where our churches are located. General activity was exercised by the laity, and strenuous efforts were made by the pastors to secure all the regular assessments in full, as directed by the Finance Committee,

so as to be able to report all the collections without any deficiencies. For the purpose of formulating a uniform plan for the procurement of Conference missionary debt, a convention was called, to which there was a general response from the ministers and agents appointed. It was recommended that the amount to be obtained should be in proportion to the missionary assessment as made by the Annual Conference, and that the charges should be credited in accordance to the amount collected. Some have raised the entire amount, others have partially succeeded, while a number have completely failed. Strict inquiries were made relative to the receipts of the pastors' salaries as stipulated, and in cases of deficiencies faithful and zealous efforts were made at quarterly conferences, by personal consultations with stewards, by correspondence, and before public congregations, to come to a decision and have settlement made with the pastors, and have them compensated according to agreement, before the Annual Conference convenes. And it is hoped that the expectations of Conference will not be disappointed in this particular. At the beginning of the year, on fields of labor where salaries were entirely inadequate, a moderate increase was urged, and measurably accomplished.

It is a calamitous fact that on several of the charges the proffered salaries are quite insufficient for the maintenance of the pastor and his family, and it is much to be regretted if the detrimental results accruing therefrom are not soon realized, and measures applied to have them counteracted. The cause generally lies in antiquated and defective methods, or in not having modernized and improved methods vigorously exercised. Increased estimates, usually stimulate increased giving, and this greatly elevates the standard of the Church. Those in their relative official capacity, have also been importuned to be governed strictly according to disciplinary regulations. The Estimating Committee to make out an estimate of the regular expenses of the charge, to be apportioned to the different classes, the classes to appoint committees to make distribution to the members severally, according to their ability, to be paid monthly or weekly, with names and amounts to be reported to each quarterly conference or official board. These benevolences should be combined and uniform. Specific and liberal giving should be encouraged by distributing to all the members, envelopes a few weeks before making the appeal in the congregations, designating on these envelopes, with an accompanying circular representing the claims, and have them deposited into the basket at the appointed time. The practice of deferring the solicitation of these moneys until nearly the close of the conference year is objectionable, as this not infrequently imperils the full amounts. The contributions should be reported to the treasurers and committees of the annual conference before it convenes, to avoid confusion and detention of business. The special offering for the Mission Church at Washington, for Africa, for the Conference Church-Extension Society, on College Day, and on Children's Day, were generally held with good results.

Statistics.

Conversions, 602; baptisms, 370; accessions, about 590; communicants for all quarterly conference occasions, 5,885.

The following auxiliary organizations have been adding very materially to the financial and spiritual interests of the district: Ladies' Aid societies, seven; Ladies' Mite societies, eleven; Young Ladies' Missionary bands, two; Woman's Missionary associations, seven; Ladies' Sewing societies, two; Gleaners Bands, four; Fragment Gatherers, one; Willing Workers, one; Olive Branch, one; Berean Society, one; Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, senior, one; junior, one; Young People's Christian Union, twenty. A Conference Union was also organized during the year and will be represented here.

Church Buildings.

There are on the district forty-one church houses in the possession of the trustees, all of which have been occupied during the year with the exception of Plymouth Church, the one belonging to the trustees of the Memorial Church at Harrisburg. At Penbrook, an appointment of East Harrisburg Circuit, there was erected during the year a commodious and spacious two-story church 48x70 feet, costing \$5,500, and on the 14th day of December after securing the entire amount of indebtedness it was dedicated to the worship of Almighty God by Bishop Dickson. This church is handsomely furnished, favorably located, well adapted to the community, and much credit is due to the pastor, Rev. M. A. Salt, and all concerned, for the successful accomplishment of so worthy an enterprise.

At Steelton a two story brick building, with a gallery, and all the modern improvements, was completed at a cost of \$13,000.00. The interior is comfortably furnished with a beautiful finish, having all the necessary accommodations. Provisions are made for the extinguishment of the debt, to be paid by installments, and to date the plan has been well observed, and if continued, will absorb the debt by the time the limit is reached. It was dedicated October 19th by Bishop Dickson. These gratifying results are largely due to the judicious management of the pastor, Rev. E. L. Hughes, and the board of trustees. The liberality of the membership is unsurpassed, and the secret of success is to be ascribed to the willingness of all rendering assistance.

Three prospective new churches to be built are held under advisement by the trustees; respectively, at Middletown, East Middletown, and Union appointment on Jacksonville Circuit. The demands are imperative, and these charges are abundantly able to meet the demands, and thus adorn their charges with splended church edifices in the near future. Harrisburg Memorial Church has undergone extensive alterations. It was completed by the building of a steeple, also with the entire interior thoroughly remodeled, the whole cost being \$4,500 00.

Material improvements have been made at Hummelstown by the introduction of steam heat into the church, and in transforming the Sunday-school room.

The basement of the church at Highspire was improved by providing separate apartments for their graded departments in the Sunday-school. Provisions have been made to meet the indebtedness that was incurred by these improvements, and they have added considerably to the attraction and convenience and for the accommodations of the increased attendance of worshipers.

Parsonage Buildings.

Ten valuable parsonages are on the district, two of which were built during the year, one at Oberlin ; it is a frame dwelling, substantial, convenient, with a favorable location, well arranged, good water supplies, a large lot, thus making it a very desirable home for the pastor and his family, and for his successors. The other residence was erected by the Harrisburg Dairy Street congregation, and is a three story brick building of modern design, commodious, neatly finished, is the finest on the district, or indeed in the East, and is a first-class home for the present incumbent and for those who are to follow. The pastors Rev. E. A. G. Bossler and Rev. D. D. Lowery and the trustees are worthy of being congratulated for their careful supervision in the completion of these parsonages. Another one is now in course of erection at Middletown and is under the direction of Rev. J. G. Snawlor and the trustees, and is expected to be completed in the near future.

Literature.

Regarding the Sabbath-school literature, suffice it to say that it is exclusively taken and abundantly patronized. Special efforts have been made during the year for an extended circulation of the *Religious Telescope*. Subscriptions for the *Quarterly Review* have also been urged, and the *Froehliche Botschafter* and *Woman's Evangel* have received due attention. The literature was publicly presented before as many congregations as was practicable. All the above periodicals abound with moral purity, merit the highest commendation, and should be more highly appreciated and more generally supported, as they stand unrivalled in wielding a potent influence upon all who read them.

Missions.

Too much importance cannot be attached to the successful continuance of those now under our supervision, and to the organization of additional ones whenever and wherever opportunity affords and necessity demands, because upon them depends the future prosperity and perpetuity of the Church. There are but two missions on the district, one at Halifax, which has been making moderate

progress, the other at Harrisburg (Derry Street), organized about a year ago. This has been most eminently sustained during the year, and is permanently established beyond a peradventure. There is another most inviting field ripe for occupancy in the northwestern section of the city. Observations have been made and preliminary steps have been taken for founding a mission, and it being a rare opportunity should not be allowed to slip by before all laudable means have been brought into requisition.

Resignations.

Rev. J. B. Daugherty, who had been appointed to Florin Circuit, tendered his resignation October 21st, 1891. His health at the time having been incapacitated, he did not venture to assume the responsibilities of so toilsome a field of labor. The circuit having too many appointments, and extending over too much territory to be served satisfactorily, after due consultation with a number of the official brethren, and advice of the bishop, it was agreed by mutual consent to have Ironville and Silver Spring served separately. On October 21st, Rev. J. K. Wagner was appointed to fill the unexpired term, caused by the resignation of Brother Daugherty, who preached and labored acceptably and successfully during the year. Rev. J. A. Clemen agreed to assume the pastorate of Ironville and Silver Springs, and continued several months, but then concluded, because of the distance he lived from these appointments, he could neither do justice to himself nor the charge, expressed his desire to be released, which was granted, and Brothers J. H. Witmer and A. R. Myers, two accredited local preachers living adjacent, cheerfully consented to take charge of the appointments, and have given entire satisfaction. This is the only interruption that occurred in the year, all the other preachers have been diligent and faithful, and their detailed reports will indicate their prosperity.

Association.

One Conference Ministerial Association was held at New Holland. The attendance was moderately large, and the papers read were ably prepared and intelligently and enthusiastically discussed; and in many respects this association was in advance of those that were preceded by it.

Camp Meetings.

Two camp meetings were in progress nine days within the bounds of the district, and both of them may be pronounced a success numerically and financially. The preaching was practical and doctrinal. The social meetings were generally well attended and spiritual. Several new features should be introduced at our camp meetings, such as conference meetings, or a ministerial conference, directed by a competent person, in which questions relating to

various forms of church work, doctrines, polity, and homiletics are presented and discussed. Also special evangelistic efforts should be made. The board of managers have unanimously agreed and decided on the removal of Stoverdale Memorial Camp Meeting Association to Mt. Gretna. The numerous trains passing on the Cornwall & Lebanon Railroad in close proximity to Mt. Gretna, and their close connection with the Pennsylvania Railroad and with the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, make it easy of access from all parts of the country. The popularity of the place, the central location for Conference, the liberality implied with other features in fourteen propositions as they occur in the printed circulars, the magnificent grove, sanitary arrangements, water supplies, and the enthusiasm of our people to encamp there, all inspire confidence and assurance of eminent success.

Death.

Rev. James A. Clemm after a brief illness died at Harrisburg of pneumonia, April 8, 1891. He served a number of important charges in the Pennsylvania and Allegheny conferences. Having only recently before his death been admitted to the East Pennsylvania Conference, he had not served any regular charges. He also served in the capacity of Presiding Elder. His mental habitude favored excellent preparation for the pulpit which was improved by persistent, careful culture. He was positive and strong in his convictions and was a fearless and forcible gospel preacher. He was much respected and greatly beloved. Thus the invasion of death has come again to cause bereavement to many, but our brother was released from the conflicts of life, and rests from his labors in the hope of a glorious resurrection.

Sabbath-schools.

There are forty schools on the district, and an increase in members, literature, and in all the features connected with them. We recognize with increasing satisfaction and pride the progressive and aggressive spirit which is so apparent in this strong right arm of the Church, and we make no mistake in this unqualified committal of ourselves to their interests. It is a marvelous field for Christian activity and for magnificent results. It is gratifying to know that earnest laborers are rapidly multiplying to meet the growing demands. The schools should be officered by persons having good executive abilities, supplemented by the best teachers that can be procured, and a greater intensity for the preparation in teaching and learning should obtain. The instructions should also by all means be supplemented by catechetical indoctrination of the young people by the pastor, using for the present "Youths' Scripture Compend." This would give to them a clearer conception of the relation they sustain to the Church, which would prepare them better for conversion and subsequent admission to the Church,

would develop a consecrated Christian character and aggressive church workers, thus leading them to higher plains of usefulness. The large majority of our conversions are from the Sunday-school, and the most active additions to the Church are from the same source. Highspire has adopted the complete "Gradation System," and it is gaining in interest and attendance, as was anticipated.

Convention.

One Sabbath-school convention was held at Ephrata, and was largely represented by ministers and delegates. This was a very profitable assembly, full of inspiration and zeal, and the program was executed as presented, with living questions.

Normal Work.

The distinguishing features, or four-fold aspect, implied in the object of the Bible Normal Union are all commendatory in the highest degree, comprising the presentation of a systematic study of the Bible as a book of the Sabbath-school, as an institution for the preparation of effective teaching, and for the expeditious and successful management of the schools. Samuel instituted a system of studies at Bethel, Gilgal, Jericho, Mizpeh, and Rama, for the amelioration and elevation of the people. St. Jerome said to a monk, "Learn, that you may be able to teach." Pretend not to be a master before having been a disciple. Paul said, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Jesus said, "Learn of me." Several classes are now in successful operation on the district, others have been added by correspondence, and several have completed the course during the year.

Spirituality.

The prevailing revival spirit, conversions, and accessions reported from all the charges show the spirituality. The hymns used in these religious services with their deep undertone in the music of the atonement, have been found to be primary features in promoting revivals of religion. The social meetings and Sabbath-schools are represented as exerting a good spiritual influence.

Conclusion.

I visited nearly all of the charges four times, on several occasions I was necessitated to have them supplied by proxy, and I am under many obligations to my ministerial brethren for their valuable and acceptable services rendered. The most friendly relations have been maintained with the ministers and laity, and I wish to tender to them my sincere thanks for the consideration, confidence, and

respect shown to me. There is yet much land to be possessed that is unoccupied within the territorial limits of the Conference, and the opportunities for occupancy were never so numerous. The field is white for the harvest. Feeling grateful for past prosperity, and having bright anticipations for future success, may all be stimulated to make the coming year one of an unprecedented harvest of souls. May God, the Father, bless all according to his abundant mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
H. B. DOHNER.

M. J. Mumma, presiding elder of Lancaster District, read his report and the same was received and his character passed.

PRESIDING ELDER'S REPORT OF LANCASTER DISTRICT.

To the East Pennsylvania Conference of the United Brethren in Christ, in session at Reading, Pennsylvania:

DEAR BRETHREN—In compliance with the requirements of our Church Discipline, I herewith present to you my report of Lancaster District:

The district is composed of twenty-one fields of labor, embracing thirty-eight organized churches. (Mt. Carmel on Mt. Pleasant Circuit, which was added at last Conference, was dropped; there being no membership there, and the circumstances such that the organization of a class and the maintenance of public worship was considered impracticable.) Sixteen of these charges are stations or circuits, and five of them are missions, thirty-six Sunday-schools are on the district, most of them well organized and in good working condition. To these interests I have given my entire time and prayerful attention during the year. Held personally seventy-three official business meetings and sixty-seven communion services. The remaining appointments were supplied. Baptized one hundred and one persons, four being infants.

The ministers have all remained on their respective appointments as made by the Annual Conference, have done faithful work and will, with a few exceptions, bring in good reports. There has been considerable revival interest on the district—at several points the interest being remarkably unusual—several hundred have been added to the Church, a large percentage of whom have remained faithful.

On all the charges but a few there were assurances given at the last quarterly conferences that the pastors' salaries would be full as was agreed upon. The special collections provided for at last Conference have not yielded as full returns as was hoped for. My own salary is paid in full.

Three persons received Quarterly Conference license to preach, one license was surrendered. There are now fourteen quarterly conference preachers on the district, three of whom were recommended to Annual Conference for license. Brother F. Reel, who took an open transfer last conference returned the same, and wishes to retain his relation to the Conference.

A Sunday-school convention was held at Ephrata, Pennsylvania, in the month of May, and a ministerial Association at New Holland, Pennsylvania, in July. Both these meetings included the whole Conference, were well attended, creditably sustained, and will result in good. Two camp meetings were held on the district—one at Sea Grove, Cape May Point, New Jersey, and the other on Paradise Charge. I also attended the Stoverdale camp meeting on the Harrisburg District, at which place the conference organization of the Young People's Christian Union was effected as contemplated by the action of last Conference. These societies are becoming numerous, are proving useful auxiliaries in church work, and should be organized wherever practicable.

On church enterprise the following may be noticed: Two new churches were dedicated, one at Rocherty, on Shaefferstown Circuit, and the other at Mt. Shiloh, on the Springfield Charge. A corner stone was recently laid for a new church at Warwick, on the Lititz Charge, about \$1,500.00 of the funds needed for the enterprise having been secured. The churches at Neffsville and Brunnerville, also on this charge, have been remodeled, repaired, and painted, all of which has been paid for. Covenant Church at Lancaster has been nicely fitted up and painted, and is, indeed, a model for cleanliness and comfort. The parsonage here has also been improved. The expenses have all been provided for. The church at Manheim has been repaired and beautified. St. Paul's Church at Port Richmond, Philadelphia, has been much improved by reseating. At Pottstown the old church property has been disposed of and a new location decided upon. The Church-Extension Board purchased a good site, and the brethren erected a chapel costing about \$250.00, and about \$1,200.00 have been secured toward a new church. The Boehm Mission, West Reading, purchased a lot of ground on easy terms, with a view of erecting a church in the future. This mission needs careful nursing in order to be of much service in the future. The church at Limeville, on Pequea Charge, was destroyed by a cyclone on July 18th. The brethren are bravely pushing the work of erecting a new church, and are worthy of the sympathy of the Conference. The church at Annville is at present undergoing extensive repairs, which will be, when completed, a decided improvement. On Manor Circuit the pastor collected \$350.00 towards the debt on the church at Highville. The new parsonage at Ephrata was completed, and the brethren are moving in the matter of building a new church. At Mt. Tabor, on Intercourse Circuit, a lot was procured and a rude chapel erected, all of which is paid for. The members intend building a better house in the near future. The board of trustees appointed to sell St. John's Church on this charge

did not have a purchaser. It is expected, however, that the property will be deeded to the party holding the claim against it, unless arrangements can be made by this Conference to redeem it. This should by all means be done if possible. The membership at Monterey refuse to support the church; all but four of them declared themselves out of the church. The quarterly conference at Intercourse dissolved the board of trustees and provided a new board to take charge of the property, and passed a resolution asking the annual conference to authorize this board to dispose of the church property.

Shortly after last Annual Conference Rev. G. W. M. Rigor proceeded to Elmwood, Philadelphia—the place that had been under consideration by last conference—and laid the corner stone of a new church; and upon certain representations made to the quarterly conference at Mt. Pisgah Church, a board of trustees was appointed with the understanding that they proceed cautiously with the work, and if the character of the same would justify, it should in the future have recognition as a distinct charge. The enterprise in its progress soon became involved in difficulties of such a nature that I did not feel justified to assume the responsibility of giving it recognition, thinking it best to leave the matter for the action of the Annual Conference. The board of trustees was dismissed at the last quarterly conference. I learned that a quarterly conference was held there without my knowledge or consent, for the action of which I do not consider myself responsible.

Our Sunday-school literature is well patronized, especially with reference to *Lesson Quarterlies* and the papers. There should be a greater circulation of *Our Bible Teacher*, *Telescope*, and *Quarterly Review*.

With the few exceptions mentioned, the prospects on the district are hopeful and cheering, and earnest consecration to the work will bring good fruit. There is no reason why it should not.

Profoundly grateful to our heavenly Father for the preservation of life and health in our ranks, so as to enable us to prosecute our work undisturbed, and for the many blessings so richly bestowed upon us; thankful to my brethren in the ministry and laity for the kindness shown me, and with the consciousness that I have faithfully tried to discharge my duty as I understood it, and praying that His choicest blessings may rest on our labors, I most respectfully submit my report.

M. J. MUMMA.

The following names of traveling preachers were called, their reports heard, and characters passed, to-wit:

J. G. Smoker, J. M. Shelly, E. A. G. Bossler, J. A. Lyter, E. Ludwick, H. C. Phillips, M. A. Salt, and P. A. Bowman.

The following names were referred to the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry:

David S. Eshleman, S. G. Kauffman, and Grant L. Shaeffer.

The chair announced the following committee:

On Memoirs—P. E. Dietrick, J. X. Quigley.

During the session the following were granted advisory seats:

Revs. William McKee, of Miami Conference; J. H. Mark, G. A. Fritz, C. Miller, and J. H. Von Nieda, of East German Conference; Mrs. L. R. Keister, secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, and R. Cowden, general Sunday-school secretary.

Revs. T. B. Lynch, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and A. S. Kresge, of the Evangelical Association, were introduced to Conference.

Adjourned, with benediction by Rev. T. B. Lynch:

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2:00 P. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. M. A. Salt.

The examination of traveling preachers was resumed, and the following names were passed:

M. B. Spayd, A. M. Hackman, D. D. Lowry, H. B. Spayd, J. F. Smith, M. P. Sanders, C. W. Hutsler, C. J. Kephart, J. W. Boughter, L. R. Kramer, Wm. Beech, H. F. McNelly, Z. A. Weidler, J. G. Herold, A. L. Shannon, J. R. Meredith, J. F. Mower, L. Peters, Geo. H. Knox, S. C. Enck, H. M. Miller, J. K. Wagner, S. R. Gipple.

J. K. Wagner was referred to the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry.

The following was passed:

Resolved, That the action of the trustees of Mt. Pisgah United Brethren Church, Philadelphia, in selling two additional feet front of their lot on Kipp Street, is hereby confirmed by this Annual Conference, making the entire front sixteen instead of fourteen feet.

M. A. Salt was placed on the Committee on Third Year's Course of Reading in lieu of that of Brother J. A. Clemm, deceased.

Mrs. L. R. Keister, secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, made a very interesting address to the Conference.

M. P. Sanders, Committee on Sunday-schools, read his report, which was amended and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The history of the Sunday-school work well attests its significance and importance. We recognize the Sunday-school as a department of the Church of Christ, in which the word of God is taught, with the purpose of leading souls to Christ, and of building up souls in Christ.

Resolved, 1. That we recognize the supreme importance of the Sunday-school work.

2. We recognize that the supreme object of Sunday-school training is the salvation of souls. Hence, all improvements in methods must have reference to this end.

3. That the young and old be gathered into our Sunday-schools, and that the conversion of adults and children become a more prominent object of this department.

4. That we encourage the holding of Sunday-school conventions, and institutes, as well as the organization of Normal classes, on all our pastoral charges, for the training of teachers and officers in the respective duties of their offices.

5. That we use our own literature in preference to all others, as best adapted to our people.

6. That we are in hearty sympathy with Sunday-school missionary enterprise, both general and local.

7. That we favor the graded system wherever it can be successfully carried on.

8. That in addition to the regular International Lessons, we recommend, particularly for the lower grades of scholars the memorizing of Scripture verses, as by this means very useful Bible knowledge may be acquired, otherwise not attainable.

9. That we accept the assessment of the general Sunday-school Board. That we heartily endorse the State Sabbath-school Association of Pennsylvania, and elect five delegates to represent us in its next annual convention, in the city of Lancaster, the third week of September next.

M. P. SANDERS.

Remarks were made by Col. R. Cowden, General Sunday-school Secretary, and Rev. C. J. Kephart. During the session Revs. F. P. Lehr and E. H. Romig of the Evangelical Associa-

tion were introduced to the Conference. Revs. A. A. Long of Pennsylvania Conference, A. N. Hone of the Maryland Conference, J. B. Koons and B. Weidman of the East German Conference, were granted advisory seats.

Conference adjourned with Benediction by Rev. S. L. Swartz.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

OCTOBER 9, 1891.

Conference met at 8:30 A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. R. Meredith.

Roll was called, and thirty-two ministers and twenty-three lay delegates responded.

Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following paper from the lay delegates was referred to Committee on Boundaries.

READING, PENNSYLVANIA, October 8, 1891.

We, the lay delegates of East Pennsylvania Conference, in a meeting held this evening on motion, are agreed,

1. That all stations in East Pennsylvania Conference be under the care and management of one presiding elder.
2. We would suggest the propriety of fixing his salary at \$1,200 per year, believing the laborer worthy of his hire.

JOHN A. KEPNER,
Secretary.

I. R. WENSELL,
President.

The examination of traveling preachers was resumed and the following names were called, their reports received and characters passed:

E. L. Hughes, I. Baltzell, H. D. Lehman, S. D. Faust, E. E. Hoffman, U. S. G. Renn, H. G. Clair.

The Committee on Boundaries reported, which was amended and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARIES.

The Committee on Boundaries submit the following:

1. That Marietta, Newtown, Ironville, and Silver Spring be detached from Florin Circuit, and together with Centerville constitute Marietta Circuit.
2. That Elizabethtown be detached from East Middletown Station and added to Florin Circuit, and be called Florin Station.
3. That Fishburn, St. Joseph, Centenary, and Cemetery appointments constitute Fishburn Circuit.
4. That East Middletown and Falmouth constitute Royalton Station.
5. That Neffsville and Oregon be detached from Lititz Circuit, and together with Eden, constitute Neffsville Circuit.
6. That Lititz and Brunnerville, constitute Lititz Mission.
7. That the name of Port Providence be changed to Mont Clare Station.
8. That Reading West Mission be placed under the supervision of the pastor of Otterbein church.
9. That Brightsville be detached from Fishburn Circuit and attached to Shaefferstown Circuit.
10. That Shaefferstown Circuit and Ruble's station be referred to the Stationing Committee.
11. That a motion that the P. E. Districts remain as they are resulted in a tie vote.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. DOHNER,	M. J. MUMMA,
G. W. M. RIGOR,	E. LUDWICK,
J. G. STEHMAN,	H. H. KREIDER.

The Conference agreed to have but one Presiding Elder District.

The Committee on Candidates for the Ministry reported as follows, and the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

There appeared before us Bros. D. S. Eshleman, S. G. Kauffman, J. R. Wagner, and examination papers from G. L. Shaeffer, a student in the United Brethren Seminary, all of whom, in our opinion, passed creditable examinations. We recommend them for license to preach the gospel. In the case of Bro. J. K. Wagner, who has completed a regular course in the United Brethren Seminary, we recommend that he be referred to the Committee on Ordination.

C. J. KEPHART.
Z. A. WEIDLER.
D. D. LOWERY.

Committee.

J. K. Wagner was referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

The report of the Committee on Second Year's Course was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECOND YEAR'S COURSE OF READING.

We, your Committee on Second Year's Course of Reading, report as follows:

There appeared before us J. M. Shelly, A. L. Shannon, and William Beach, whom we examined carefully on the doctrines and books required as per discipline, with the following grades:

APPLICANTS.	Doctor of Science.	Redemption.	Holy Ghost.	Homiletics.	Church History.	Mental Philosophy.	Evidences.	Elocution.	Books.	Sermon.	Average.
J. M. Shelly.....	1 ⁷ / ₈	1 ⁷ / ₈	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	2	1 ⁷ / ₈	1 ⁷ / ₈	1 ⁷ / ₈	1 ⁷ / ₈	1 ⁷ / ₈	1 ³ / ₁₀
A. L. Shannon....	1 ¹ / ₂	1	1 ¹ / ₂	2	2	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	2	2	1 ⁷ / ₁₀
William Beach....	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1	3	3	2	3	2	2	2	2

We recommend that they be passed to the Third Year's Course of Reading.

G. W. M. RIGOR,
Z. A. WEIDLER,
H. S. LEHMAN,
Committee.

The following paper on Camp Meeting was adopted:

WHEREAS, The necessity for a camp meeting, conducted in harmony with the principles of our holy religion, has long been the desire of the ministers and members of this Conference; and

WHEREAS, The Stoverdale Memorial Camp Meeting, finding itself powerless, under existing circumstances, to continue its annual assemblies at Stoverdale, in accordance with their convictions of duty to God and loyalty to the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ, almost unanimously directed their board of managers, if satisfactory arrangements could be made, to locate the camp at Mt. Gretna Park, and

WHEREAS, The authorities of the Cornwall & Lebanon Railroad, who control Mt. Gretna Park, offer to us advantages unequalled by

any offers made by any other place, person, or organization,—advantages peculiarly helpful to the success of a Conference camp meeting; and

WHEREAS, The board of managers in view of these things have unanimously decided to locate the camp at Mt. Gretna Park; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we do most heartily approve of the action of said association and their board of managers, and hereby recognize the camp meeting at Mt. Gretna Park, in connection with the Sea Grove Camp Meeting at Cape May Point, New Jersey, as the conference camp meetings of the East Pennsylvania Conference, and pledge ourselves to support these with our presence when practicable, and at all times and everywhere commend them to the favorable consideration of our people.

2. That we especially commend the action of the board of managers in their unanimous agreement to have no trains run to camp on the Sabbath.

3. That we suggest to the board of managers the importance of making every day of the encampment one of special interest, by the employment of the best talent, and the preparation of such a program as will cover the whole ground of the most elevated standard of Christian life.

H. B. Spayd presented the following paper on Church-Erection, and, after remarks by Rev. William McKee, it was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH-ERECTION.

We have reached a period in the progress of our Church and Conference when our environments demand houses of worship equal to our ability.

We must admit that much of our labor in the past has been lost to our Church in many localities, because after organizations had been effected, the shepherds had no suitable shelter for their flocks.

We recognize in the Church-Erection Society the essential elements to awaken a deeper interest in the erection of better church houses, and especially to accumulate a permanent fund to assist weak congregations in our cities and frontier; therefore

Resolved, That we give this auxiliary of our Church our sincere and substantial support.

H. B. SPAYD,
Committee.

During the session Revs. D. Longenecker, A. Grave, Gamber H. Gable, of the East German Conference, and President E. Benjamin Bierman, and Prof. J. Lehman, of Lebanon

Valley College, and D. R. Miller, general manager of Union Biblical Seminary, were granted advisory seats.

Adjourned, with benediction by Rev. H. B. Dohner.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2:00 P. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. X. Quigley.

The bishop reported having received \$10.00 of the Widow Snyder Fund, and paid it into the hands of Brother Joseph Young, treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Fund.

Brother Young reported the following as treasurer of the Contingent Fund and Preachers' Aid Fund, which were adopted, and he was re-elected to these respective positions:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND.

Receipts.

Balance on hand October 8, 1890.....	\$1 00	
Received during Conference.....	105 14	
Amount in treasury October 18, 1890.....		\$106 14

Expenditures.

Paid B. H. Engle, as per order of last Conference.....	\$50 00	
February 11, 1891, paid United Brethren Aid Society, interest on note.....	40 00	
July 24, paid S. L. Swartz, interest.....	15 00	
Expended for postage, etc.....	15	
Total		\$105 15
Balance in treasury.....		99

JOSEPH YOUNG, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

Receipts.

October 8, 1890. Balance on hand.....	\$ 80 66	
Received at Conference.....	103 00	
Received for rent.....	133 50	
Total.....		\$317 16

Expenditures.

Paid as per order of Conference appropriations.....	\$110 00
For repairing.....	32 66
Mark Estate, principal \$50.00, interest \$42.00.....	92 00
Admitting water.....	35 00
Taxes	23 54
Insurance, and stationery.....	1 47
Total.....	\$294 67
Balance in treasury.....	\$22 49
JOSEPH YOUNG. <i>Treasurer.</i>	

M. J. Mumma, secretary of the Board of Trustees for the Preachers' Aid Society, presented their report which was adopted and the Board was re-elected.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

The Trustees of the Preachers' Aid Society would respectfully represent that the property is in good condition and is carefully looked after. During the year the indebtedness was reduced \$50 and water was piped on the premises at a cost of \$35.

We would recommend the following appropriations: Mrs. Funk, \$40; Mrs. Carpenter, \$40; Mrs. Clair, \$10. M. J. MUMMA,
Secretary.

U. S. G. Renn reported having received \$270.50 for Union Biblical Seminary.

H. G. Clair reported having received \$71.00 for General Sunday-school Fund.

E. L. Hughes reported having received \$74.00 on Educational Beneficiary Fund.

The itinerant list was revised, and the names of J. M. Shelly, H. G. Clair, H. M. Miller, and H. F. McNelly were added to the list.

H. B. Dohner was elected presiding elder.

C. W. Hutsler read the report on "Publishing Interests," which, after some remarks by Revs. D. R. Miller and William McKee, was amended and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

We are living in an age in which more reading is being done, by all classes of people, than in any other period in the history of the world. It is no longer a debatable question, which is mightier, the pen or the sword. It has been decided long ago in favor of the pen. Books and periodicals, religious and secular, good and bad, are being issued in great numbers. This is the great factor in the education of the masses; and it is certain that a church cannot hope to accomplish much for mankind in a state of ignorance. A business man must read in order to know what the business world is doing; so a church member, to be an intelligent member of his church, must read the literature of his church. No person can be well informed and alive to the work of this Church, unless he reads the general literature of the Church.

Our beloved Church recognizes the fact that to succeed in taking our place in the Lord's great army to bring the world to Christ, we must have our own literature, and as a Church and Conference, we recognize that that which we have is of a high order of religious and literary merit.

We deplore the fact that not more *Telescopes* are taken within the bounds of this Conference, but we greatly rejoice in this also that hardly a United Brethren Sabbath-school can be found in the Conference that is not well supplied with our literature published by our Publishing House. The United Brethren Church has need, pressing need, not for so many more periodicals or books possibly, but for a greater increased circulation of the literature we have, and a greater increase of the reading and study of our own publications. If writing makes a correct man, and speaking makes a ready man, then reading makes a full man, and wise; therefore, every Christian family should take a good religious paper, and every United Brethren family should take the *Telescope*, and all other publications of the Church should be liberally patronized by our people; therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That we are thankful to Almighty God, that our Publishing House case has been favorably decided, and that we pray that all future litigation may cease throughout the Church.

2. That we are well pleased with the business management of the Publishing House.

3. That we are in full sympathy with and heartily commend the efficient editorial management of the *Telescope*, the *Quarterly Review*, the Sunday-school literature, the *Woman's Evangel*, and our German publications.

4. That we are well pleased with and heartily commend to our people our own musical publications.

5. That we recognize in the College Forum, as published by the faculty and students, of L. V. C., a very helpful means of bringing the college before the young people of our church; and that we recommend the publication to the attention of our people.

6. That we present, in a public manner the merits of our publications and do all that we can to increase the circulation of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

Lancaster, Pa., October 6, 1891.

C. W. HUTSLER.

S. D. Faust presented his report on education.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The theory that every child is entitled to a liberal education is pretty well established among us as a people. We say "Education is power," and that proper education and training equip young people better for the duties and efforts of life, and the development of true manhood and womanhood, than does any amount of silver and gold; that young men and young women equally need and deserve educational advantages; that to everyone God has given faculties, and demands their development; that, since he demands this work, it is the inherent right of every child to possess opportunities for the accomplishment of it; that the parent is responsible for these supreme interests of the child; that the Church is likewise responsible, and that she ought to provide institutions of higher education and point our young people to them: but we have no positive convictions upon these matters.

The facts prove that our theories are only for public occasions, and that our convictions, if we have any, are extremely negative. With the great majority of us, gold counts for more than does education, and girls do not need the education boys ought to have, and a few years schooling is amply sufficient for any one. Even a bishop, apparently seeking information, may ask in open Conference, to the pleasure of his audience, as to what can be done for a boy sent to college so that he may return without having been spoiled. We do not use our own faculties as God-given, and without a pang we deny our children educational opportunities which would be to them a thousand times more valuable than the money they would cost. We pass high-sounding resolutions, indulge in platitudes, prepare elegant addresses on the subject of education, and give glowing descriptions of our schools, too often depending on our imaginations for our facts. We boast of our Eastern Church, and the spirit of progress by which we are impelled, and the mighty forces conserved in the organization of our young people, and our prosperity and wealth,—and meanwhile allow a condition of things to exist in connection with our educational interests under which it is possible for a school representing 42,914 members, or 2,489 more than one-fifth of the membership of the entire Church, to open this year with only seventy-two students enrolled the first week, and nearly one-half of that small number doubtless engaged on work other than that of the regular collegiate course. There is something radically wrong, and unless we rectify the trouble, we may as well acknowledge ourselves either derelict in duty or incompetent to solve the problems of modern church life.

But are we capable of nothing better? Are so few of the sons and daughters of the church at school? Is it true that 42,914 United Brethren are willing to be represented by less than 45 students in the collegiate department of their own school? We believe that we are capable of better things, that there are more than seventy-two children of the church in this co-operating territory somewhere at college, and that we shall not be satisfied until we have lifted our own college into a condition wherein it shall be able to command the patronage of all our people. We believe that possessing the courage of our convictions, with a holy purpose to work for God and the church, and with a confident reliance upon the leadings of the Holy Ghost, we shall be able to solve the educational question thrusting itself upon us for solution at this hour. Grateful to God for his blessings in the past, let us

Resolve, 1. That in all our relations we strive to emphasize the matter of education according to its importance.

2. That we especially urge young men, looking toward the ministry, to take the full collegiate and seminary courses when at all possible.

3. That we labor to establish a college of high grade, and liberal policy such as shall be worthy the patronage of the entire community.

4. That since Lebanon Valley College is within the bounds of our own Conference, it is incumbent upon us to be especially active in this matter.

5. That we observe the first Sunday of next May as "College Day," upon which to present the educational interests of the church, and to take an offering for Lebanon Valley College.

6. That we remember with pleasure the prosperity of our Union Biblical Seminary, and commend it to our young men seeking a theological training.

7. That we most heartily endorse the action of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, whereby the Rev. J. W. Etter, D. D., was elected to the chair of Systematic Theology.

Respectfully submitted,

S. D. FAUST.

Pending the adoption of this report, President E. B. Bierman, of Lebanon Valley College presented his report.

LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE.

To the Members of the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN—The statement I herewith submit concerning the operations of the college during the past year, has the aim of bringing to your notice such matters relating thereto as require your approval, and of furnishing you such general information respecting the institution as will afford you the means to judge intelligently of its condition.

Attendance of Students.

The fall term of 1890 opened favorably on the first Monday of September, and one hundred and ten (110) students were in attendance during the year. These were classified as follows, viz:

Collegiate department.....	55
Art and music only.....	25
Normal department.....	10
Preparatory department.....	20
Total.....	110

In addition to those classed under "Art and music only," there were fifty students from other departments that received instruction in music and painting, or both, for one or more terms of the year, thus making the total number for that department seventy-five.

The number of students enrolled in the normal department is low, for the reason that the so-called Annville Normal Class heretofore associated with the college during the spring term of the year, was under separate management this year, and, therefore, in no way connected with our work.

At our last commencement a class of ten—five young men and five young women—was graduated. Three in the classical course, five in the scientific course, and two in music and voice culture. Of the five young men, one has charge of one of our congregations in the city of Harrisburg, two have entered Union Biblical Seminary, another is employed by the Young Men's Christian Association of Dayton, Ohio, and the fifth holds a responsible position in the main office of a leading business house.

Religious Condition.

Nearly all our students are professors of religion. Stated prayer meetings under the direction of students are held each week. These are well attended, and their exercises are characterized by a commendable degree of spirituality and devotion. Branch organizations of the Young Men's and the Young Women's Christian Associations, which hold their meetings on Saturday night of each week, are well sustained. A Bible Normal Union Class conducted by two of our professors meets each Sabbath afternoon in the college chapel, and many of our students are members of it. The good results arising from these blessed interests are seen and felt on every side. Discipline is in consequence easily administered, and violent outbreaks of unruly conduct are not known among us.

The proposition that the religion of Jesus Christ furnishes the only safe and adequate motive to intellectual effort, so far as moral character is concerned, is constantly held up before the student.

Paul exhorts the Corinthians to enlargement, and this enlargement is daily urged. Enlargement of the intellect, enlargement of

the heart, and enlargement of the intellect through the heart. Those who keep the command, "add to your faith virtue; and to virtue, knowledge," grow in grace, and the knowledge of Christ and their intellectual pathway will shine more and more unto the perfect day.

The Finances.

Our financial condition has not undergone a material change since my last report. Our assets remain about the same, as also does our endowment fund. Our liabilities have been reduced.

On the first day of last August the account stood thus:

Assets.....	\$54,638 51
Liabilities.....	24,830 56

Endowment.

General fund.....	\$20,955 00
Alumni fund.....	2,500 00

Total	\$23,455 00
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Eliminating from the account all moneys paid for interest on mortgages and notes, and to cancel old claims, the current income and expenses of the last year were as follows, viz:

Income.....	\$10,177 54
Expenditures.....	9,957 37

Balance.....	\$220 17
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For some years the college has stood in great need of an efficient and devoted agent to collect moneys and secure subscriptions to cover interest on existing mortgages and notes, and to add to our small endowment fund; but we now have every reason to believe that we have found the much desired man who with God's help and a hearty support from all the friends of the college will be able to secure the necessary relief, and assist in the building up of the institution.

Repairs.

After more than twenty years of "wear and tear," it became apparent to all that in order to hold the patronage that we now enjoy, and to win additional support, some repairing must be done and improvements added to the halls and many of the rooms of both college buildings; and, in consequence, measures were instituted by our friends at Annville, early during last vacation, which resulted in the thorough renovation and improvement of both buildings. The halls have been wainscoted in natural wood, all woodwork repainted, and new floors laid wherever it was found

to be necessary. Nearly all the rooms have been repapered and painted, and many other improvements made which will add to the comfort of the student, as well as to the appearance of the buildings. The recitation rooms have been repaired at considerable expense and water has been brought to the door of each building by the Annville Water Company.

General Remarks.

The past year has been one of arduous labors and unusual anxieties on the part of all connected with the college. To me especially so. At its opening there certainly was enough of indifference, agitation on the subject of re-location, and other discouraging influences at work, to dampen the ardor of the most determined and enthusiastic, but, having "put my hand to the plough," I decided I could not afford to "look back" now, but that I must go forward, do all in my power, and avail myself of every resource at command to benefit the young men and women, who had placed themselves under the watch care, and tuition of the college; and to give all possible assistance to our manager in wisely directing our financial interests, and, in all this God has signally favored and blessed us.

The confident hope that the friends and patrons who have faithfully stood by the institution for the last twenty-five years, will not fail her now while other interests and enterprises of the Church are rapidly moving forward, has thus far sustained me in all my efforts.

Many of you, dear brethren, were present when Lebanon Valley College was planted at Annville, years ago. You have since repeatedly given of your means to sustain her, and you have often most devoutly implored Almighty God to bless her, and to increase her usefulness. Would it not be a crime now to forsake or neglect her?

That your deliberations concerning this important arm of the Church may be judiciously directed, and that good and only good may be the result of your action, is the sincere prayer of

Your humble servant,

E. BENJ. BIERMAN,

President.

October 9, 1891.

After remarks by D. R. Miller, M. J. Mumma, President E. Benjamin Bierman, S. D. Faust, the report on education was amended, and after some remarks by the bishop both papers were adopted.

Adjourned with benediction by S. D. Faust.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

OCTOBER 10, 1891.

Conference was called to order at 9:00 A. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Jos. Young. Roll was called and minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

The report of the Committee on First Year's Course of Reading was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRST YEAR'S COURSE OF READING.

We, your Committee on First Year's Course of Reading, report the following:

H. F. McNelly appeared before us and passed an examination with the following grades:

Existence and Attributes of God, $1\frac{3}{10}$; Trinity, $1\frac{1}{2}$; Creation and Providence, 2; Homiletics, $1\frac{1}{2}$; Biblical History, $1\frac{3}{4}$; Companion to the Bible, 2; Great Commission, $1\frac{1}{2}$; Rhetoric, $1\frac{1}{4}$; Sermon, $2\frac{1}{2}$.

We recommend that he be passed to Second Year's Course.

H. M. Miller asked to be continued in the First Year's Course of Reading.

F. Reel appeared before the committee, but was called home to attend a funeral before being examined; we recommend that he be continued in the First Year's Course.

Respectfully submitted,

S. D. FAUST,
J. F. WONER,
J. G. SMOKER,
Committee.

The chair appointed the following committee to nominate Trustees for the Church-Extension Board:

C. B. Rettew, H. D. Lehman, and S. L. Swartz.

The following were elected as delegates to the Pennsylvania State Sabbath-school Association:

H. B. Dohner, E. Ludwick, A. R. Myers, President E. Benjamin Bierman, S. N. Eby.

S. L. Swartz, missionary treasurer of the Conference, presented his report.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY TREASURER.

READING, PA., October 9, 1891.

Balance on hand from last year.....	\$ 375 08	
Received from fields of labor.....	1,322 00	
Total		\$1,697 08

Expenditures.

Paid home missions.....	\$982 15	
Paid interest on loans.....	279 25	
Paid to Parent Board.....	661 00	
Total		\$1,922 40
Treasury overdrawn.....		\$225 32
Received on Conference mission debt.....	\$835 36	
Rec'd and paid to Wm. McKee on gen. miss. debt.....	6 00	

Statement of the Treasury.

Loan of 1889.....	\$2,500 00	
Loan of 1890.....	260 00	
Treasury overdrawn.....	225 31	
Total	\$2,985 31	
Deduct amount collected on Conference mission debt.....	835 36	
Present indebtedness.....		\$2,149 95

S. L. SWARTZ, *Missionary Treasurer.*

The report of the committee to audit the same was presented, and both papers were adopted.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Receipts.

On account of missionary treasurer—		
Balance on hand at last report	\$375 08	
Received from fields of labor.....	1,322 00	
Total		\$1,697 08

Expenditures.

Paid home missions.....	\$982 15
Paid for interest on loans.....	279 25
Due Parent Board.....	661 00
Total	\$1,922 40
Treasury overdrawn.....	\$225 32

NOTE.—Treasurer received on account of debt \$685.36 not included in above.

CHAS. B. RETTER,
J. A. KEPNER,
Committee.

S. L. Swartz was re-elected missionary treasurer, and J. R. Meredith was re-elected missionary secretary for Conference.

Revs. J. R. Meredith, J. F. Smith, and L. R. Kramer, were appointed a committee to nominate candidates for trustees for Lebanon Valley College.

Lebanon was selected as the place for holding the next conference.

C. J. Kephart, Committee on Missions, reported as follows:

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

It is with profound gratitude to Almighty God that we note the very great success that has attended the efforts of our Zion in its various home, frontier, and foreign missionary fields, especially during the past few years. We recognize with great satisfaction the very marked care and economy that has characterized the management of those who have had direct control of the missionary work of our church. We hail with delight the many evidences of the divine approval attending the vigorous and determined efforts of our Woman's Missionary Association. However much we rejoice in view of these things, we do not for a moment overlook the great fact that the vastly major portion of our race has no true knowledge of the living God, and that at least 800,000,000 of our fellow beings know nothing of religious truth save what they gather in the deceptive and flickering light of helpless and hopeless paganism.

In the commission of our blessed Lord,—“Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature,” viewed in the light of these facts, we find a full and sufficient imperative to a very greatly increased activity upon our part in all of our minor fields, home, frontier, and foreign, an imperative that urges us, with many others to take as our missionary motto—“The evangelization of the race in the present generation.”

Resolved, 1. That in our home fields we will seek by vigorous activity and willing self-sacrifice to gather those yet unmoved into the fold of Christ, and as far as reasonable, into the Church of our choice.

2. That we commend to the prayerful attention of our people the new mission now being projected in the city of Washington, D. C., as in every way deserving of their financial support. That each of the ministers of the Conference, at some time during the year, take a collection for this mission.

3. That as ministers and laymen we will seek to awaken a deeper interest in the work of our General Missionary society upon the part of our people throughout our Conference, and a larger degree of Christian liberality in supporting the missionary work of our Church with their money.

4. That we will ask our people for an annual thank offering for missions, as requested by our Parent Board.

5. That instead of making the usual assessment for missions, we will to the best of our ability lay the great subject of Christian missions upon the hearts of our people, and receive what they will contribute for this work.

6. That we specially commend to the favorable consideration of our people, the mission among the Chinese at Walla Walla, Oregon.

7. That we recommend to the ministers of the Conference the organization of local Woman's Missionary Societies at all the appointments on all the fields of labor in the Conference.

C. J. KEPHART.

Committee.

The paper was discussed by Revs. Wm. McKee, M. B. Spayd, I. Baltzell, H. B. Dohner, M. A. Salt, E. Ludwick, C. W. Hutsler, S. D. Faust, and adopted.

A collection of \$5.20 was taken for the page.

The Committee on Nomination for Trustees for Lebanon Valley College presented the names of A. R. Forney, C. B. Rettew, Rev. S. D. Faust, and D. M. Weidman; A. R. Forney and S. D. Faust were elected.

The Committee on Nomination for Managers of Church-Erection Society presented the names of Z. A. Weidler, D. D. Lowery, and S. R. Graybill, and the secretary of Conference was instructed to cast the ballot, which was done.

D. D. Lowery presented a paper on the Young People's Christian Union, which was adopted.

YOUNG PEOPLES' CHRISTIAN UNION.

WHEREAS, The general union of the Young Peoples' Christian Union, effected a little more than a year since, has grown in usefulness and numbers beyond our expectation, there being now more than three hundred local societies, seventeen conference branch societies, with a membership of more than fifteen thousand; and,

WHEREAS, The local Young Peoples' Christian Unions of the Conference, in convention at Stoverdale camp meeting in the month of August last, through their representatives, organized a conference Young Peoples' Christian Union; and,

WHEREAS, The newly organized Conference Union have called a convention, to be held in Lebanon Trinity Church, on the 3d and 4th of November, 1891; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we are greatly encouraged by the success attending this work in so short a time, and hereby express our hearty approval of the methods and course pursued by the General Union.

2. That we commend the action of our young people in effecting a Conference organization.

3. That we will seek to have delegates elected by all our local societies to the convention at Lebanon next month.

4. That, recognizing the importance of and blessing accruing from a church organization among our young people, such as the Young People's Christian Union, we will urge the formation of local societies on all our charges throughout the Conference.

D. D. LOWERY.

The Committee on Finance reported, and the report was amended and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

FIELDS OF LABOR.	Presiding Elder.	Con. Church-Extension.	Preachers' Aid.	Sunday-school General Fund.	Church-Erection.	Union Biblical Seminary.	Beneficiary Education.	Contingent Fund.	Conference Collections.	Missionary Debt.	Conference Missionary Debt.
Annville Station.....	54	70	7	3	20	25	5	37	15	.....	.....
Columbia Station.....	43	50	5	4	20	14	3	22	8	75	30
Ephrata Station.....	30	35	4	2	12	10	2	14	6	.....	34
Florin Station.....	33	25	3	4	15	14	2	22	8	30	53
Fishburn Station.....	33	30	2	3	10	10	2	22	8	.....	58
Halifax Mission.....	28	15	2	2	15	6	2	20	4	.....	22
Harrisburg Memorial.....	54	70	8	4	34	20	4	37	15	.....	.....
Harrisburg, Derry Street.....	30	30	3	4	15	6	2	14	5	.....	42
Harrisburg, East.....	43	20	3	6	16	6	2	17	10	.....	62
Highspire Station.....	33	25	2	2	15	8	3	20	7	.....	67
Hummelstown Station.....	33	30	4	2	12	10	3	20	7	.....	49
Intercourse.....	33	25	3	2	14	10	3	20	6	79	75
Jacksonville Circuit.....	33	25	3	4	12	6	2	22	5	.....	50
Lancaster Station.....	30	20	2	2	10	8	2	14	6	.....	.....
Lebanon Trinity.....	54	70	7	4	20	25	5	37	15	.....	88
Lititz Mission.....	8	5	1	1	3	3	1	7	2	.....	16
Manheim Station.....	30	22	2	2	16	10	2	14	6	.....	58
Manor Circuit.....	30	16	2	2	15	10	2	22	6	.....	58
Marietta Circuit.....	18	10	1	1	10	8	1	12	4	.....	33
Middletown Station.....	30	20	3	2	15	6	2	17	5	.....	.....
Mt. Joy Station.....	33	25	3	1	12	8	3	21	6	.....	65
Mountville Station.....	33	50	4	4	15	10	3	22	8	.....	53
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	13	10	1	1	4	3	1	8	3	.....	25
Mont Clare Station.....	18	6	1	1	5	2	1	13	2	.....	25
New Holland Station.....	43	35	4	2	18	12	3	22	10	.....	108
Neffsville Circuit.....	8	5	1	1	3	3	1	7	2	.....	16
Oberlin Station.....	33	25	4	3	20	10	3	22	8	.....	30
Paradise Station.....	23	18	2	2	12	4	2	12	4	.....	.....
Pequea Station.....	30	15	3	2	15	6	2	12	4	24	42
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah.....	30	12	2	2	12	4	2	12	4	.....	42
Philadelphia, St. Paul.....	30	8	1	1	7	3	1	11	2	.....	25
Pottstown Mission.....	9	4	1	1	4	2	1	15	4	.....	25
Reading, Otterbein.....	43	40	4	3	20	10	3	22	8	17	85
Reading, West Mission.....	18	5	1	1	4	2	1	14	4	.....	25
Royalton Station.....	30	20	2	2	15	6	2	22	5	.....	.....
Ruhl's Station.....	30	12	1	1	7	4	1	12	3	.....	33
Steelton Station.....	33	50	5	4	20	15	3	23	10	.....	108
Springfield.....	30	15	3	2	8	5	2	12	4	.....	50
Shaefferstown Circuit.....	9	6	1	2	2	2	1	12	2	.....	33
Union Circuit.....	35	25	4	3	10	8	3	20	8	.....	67
Totals.....	\$1,211	\$999	\$115	\$95	\$512	\$334	\$89	\$724	\$249	\$225	\$1,650

Resolved, That hereafter the Lebanon Valley College Day fund be reported by each pastor, and entered on the chart in a separate column for that purpose.

Resolved, That we recommend that the \$50.00 due Bro. A. H. Kauffman be paid out of the contingent fund.

J. G. Smoker reported on temperance and the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

One of the most daring evils that we have to meet and encounter in our land is the liquor traffic.

We declare it to be the source of nine tenths of all our suffering and sorrow, resulting in crime, pauperism, and insanity; the disturber of the public peace, the arch enemy of labor, the foe of industry, the parent of sedition, anarchy, vice, social corruption, and disorder; the corrupter of our political work, legislation, the administration of our laws, the destroyer of public and private virtue, the foul desecrator of our holy Sabbath day, stamping upon all honor and truth, the great opposer of the Church in her work in the evangelization of the world and the Home, an eternal disgrace to the reputation of the people in this the nineteenth century.

2. We view with terror the growing tendency to license this gigantic power of wickedness and vice, and we do, here and now, as a body of Christian ministers, as lay delegates in conference assembled, express our most earnest and emphatic condemnation of the entire license system. Believing that there can be no legislation or laws enacted to justify the sale of anything that will result in the disgrace and ruin of the human family. Especially would we place our seal of condemnation upon the high license system, as a fraud and delusion to deceive the people, and thereby get a firmer hold upon those who may be snared by its angelic yet satanic picture of respectability.

3. That the parties that by express declaration in party platform, and by the flowery speeches of their legislators in our legislative halls, have endorsed and supported this demoralizing and soul destroying system, or have by private or public means solicited the saloon vote, have rendered themselves unworthy of the support of any Christian man, and that it is a plain and open violation of the law of the Bible, and the laws of our beloved Zion, to aid by our sympathy or ballot this evil of all evils.

4. We believe the total prohibition of the sale of intoxicants as a beverage to be right in principle, in law, and practice, and that the end of this curse can only be secured by the hearty co-operation of the Church and good men who seek the welfare of the nation and by standing by our noble leaders who are pledged to uncompromising hostility to the liquor traffic.

5. That the Prohibition party is a strong power in moulding sentiment against the gigantic evil, and it means under God, to lead us on to victory; therefore, we avow ourselves in hearty sympathy with its aims, and commend it to our people as worthy of their support; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That as ministers and lay delegates, we will use all possible means to keep before our people and Sabbath-schools the importance of total abstinence as a duty we owe to God and man.

2. That there is no such a thing as a temperate use of alcoholic liquors, except for medicinal and mechanical purposes.

3. That no half way means can be brought about that can do effective work to overthrow this monster of monsters.

4. That we recognize with much pleasure the noble work being accomplished by the temperance movement throughout the land.

5. That we recognize the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and kindred organizations as effectual auxiliaries in this glorious and heaven-born movement, and bid them a hearty God speed.

6. That as Christian ministers we will lift up our voices, crying aloud and sparing not, that this great sin and its dire effects may be kept before the people until by our beloved gospel men may be moulded for God and the saving of perishing humanity.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. SMOKER. *Committee.*

The following paper on "Observance of the Sabbath," presented by G. W. M. Rigor, was adopted:

ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Sabbath was made for man. The strict observance of one day out of seven, as a day of rest and worship, is an imperative necessity. The perpetuity of our national life depends upon the observance of the American and Christian Sabbath.

The enemies of this God-given institution understand this, and have placed themselves in battle array. The conflict is raging, and it behooves every lover of God and the American and Christian Sabbath to enter the fray. Half way methods will not avail. The rum-soaked enemies of the Lord's Day, constantly reinforced by the immense influx of foreign population, are leaving nothing undone to introduce the Continental Sabbath on our shores, and they must be met and overcome. Our danger lies in the apathy of too many of the friends of the American and Christian Sabbath. Eternal vigilance must be our watchword; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we are ready to co-operate with every organization and movement that tends to preserve the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and enforce a stricter observance of the same.

2. That we protest against the various forms of Sabbath desecration indulged in by its violation, such as visiting, pic-nicing, running railroad trains and traveling on them, drinking and drunkenness, buying and selling, etc., all of which educate the public to disregard the sacredness of the Christian Sabbath.

3. That we enter our solemn protest against the opening of the Columbian Exposition on the Lord's Day.

4. That we rejoice in the good work being accomplished by the Philadelphia Sabbath Association, and the American Sabbath Union.

5. That we will encourage the holding of meetings in our churches and Sunday-schools in favor of Sabbath observance, and will use every other laudable means to secure its better observance.

G. W. M. RIGOR.

G. W. M. Rigor, secretary of the Conference Church-Extension Society, presented the report of the treasurer, properly audited by S. R. Grabill and Z. A. Weidler, which was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CHURCH-EXTENSION SOCIETY.

READING, PA., October 9, 1891.

Your Church - Extension Society treasurer begs to make his annual report:

October 10, 1890, balance in treasury.....	\$1,449 99
Received of G. Anderson from Campton lot....	180 00
Returned by M. J. Mumma.....	3 00

Total.....	<u>\$1,632 99</u>
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Paid M. J. Mumma secretary, stationery, and expenses to Camden, etc.....	\$ 16 50
Z. A. Weidler, secretary.....	10 00
L. Peters, appropriation.....	200 00
D. D. Lowery, appropriation.....	300 00
G. H. Knox, appropriation.....	100 00
D. D. Lowery, expenses to Lancaster.....	1 80
S. D. Faust, expenses to Lancaster.....	1 80
J. S. Wisler, expenses to Lancaster.....	1 70
G. W. M. Rigor, expenses to Lancaster.....	3 68
I. Baltzell, expense to Lancaster and circulars.	6 92
On lot at Pottstown.....	200 00
Executing and recording deed.....	8 50
Printing circulars for Easter offering.....	9 65
Interest on lot at Pottstown.....	48 00
Interest on Steelton lots.....	98 00
Donation to Derry St. Church.....	90 00
	<u>\$1,096 55</u>

October 8, 1891, balance in treasury.....	\$536 44
Received from various charges for an Easter offering	225 12
October 9, 1891, received from the various charges at this Conference.....	852 46
Received one half Church-Erection Fund.....	222 60
Sold lots at Steelton to S. L. Swartz.....	200 00
	<u>\$2,466 62</u>

M. B. Spayd reported having received \$445.20 for church-erection, which was equally divided between Rev. William McKee and J. S. Wisler.

Rev. L. R. Kramer reported having received for Conference collections \$235.50.

Revs. J. Noll, W. H. Artz, and L. W. Craumer, of East German Conference, were granted advisory seats.

Adjourned, with benediction by M. J. Mumma.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2:00 P. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. F. Mower.

Committee on memoirs presented the following paper which after some remarks by J. X. Quigley, E. Ludwick, and Bishop Kephart, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Jacob A. Clemm.

The subject of this sketch was born January, 1825, and died at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, April 8, 1891, in the sixty-seventh year of his age. He was licensed to preach at a conference held at York, Pennsylvania, January 20, 1860, J. J. Glossbrenner, Bishop. Two years afterward, at a conference held in Cumberland County, he was ordained by Bishop Edwards. His first circuit was Rocky Springs, where he served for two years, 1859-60. In 1861-62 he traveled Manchester Circuit; 1863-64 he served York Springs Circuit; 1865, Bendersville Mission; 1866-67, Perry Circuit. The above charges were all in the Pennsylvania Conference. In 1868 he was transferred to Allegheny Conference, at its session held at Bellefonte, Pennsylvania. From this time until 1890 he served fields of labor in that conference, and also served as presiding elder for several years. He joined this Conference, by transfer, at its session held at Annville, Pennsylvania, in 1889. His last charge was on Silver Springs Circuit, to which he was appointed by the presiding elder, soon after last conference, which charge he resigned after several months of labor.

This closed his active work under the direction of this Conference and was the only appointment he had from us. He peacefully fell asleep at the home of his son in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, feeling that the gospel he preached to others comforted him when he came to pass through the shadowy valley, Bro. Clemm is no more. He has answered his last roll call, and has gone to reap the reward of a

faithful servant of God and the Church. His body rests quietly in the burying ground attached to Young's Church, Perry County, Pennsylvania. We bid him farewell in the joyous hope of meeting again.

J. X. QUIGLEY.

Suitable memorial services having been held by the Allegheny conference, we do not deem it necessary to have a special order for that purpose now.

The Committee on Third Year's Course of Reading reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THIRD YEAR'S COURSE OF READING.

Revs. A. M. Hackman, I. H. Kurtz, and Horace G. Clair appeared before the Committee on Third Year's Course of Reading. The grades on their examinations are as follows:

NAME.	Dogmatics.	Pastoral Theology.	Logic.	Beginnings of Christianity.	Butler's Analogy.	Ethics.	Baptism.	Sermon.	Average.
A. M. Hackman.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	3	$2\frac{1}{2}$	2	2	1	2	2
Horace G. Clair.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	3	$2\frac{1}{2}$	2	2	1	2	2
I. H. Kurtz.....	2	$1\frac{1}{2}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{5}{8}$

We recommend that they be passed upon this examination.

LEWIS PETERS,
H. C. PHILLIPS,
M. A. SALT,
Committee.

The report was adopted, and the brethren were referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

On motion of H. V. Mohn, it was

Resolved, That G. W. M. Rigor, John F. Mower, Leander Lehman, and Herman G. Gerth be elected trustees of Grace United Brethren Church, Philadelphia, and that they be authorized to consummate the sale of said church as per discipline relating to abandoned church property.

A collection was taken for the sexton amounting to \$8.11.

The board of trustees of the United Brethren Church, at Monterey, were authorized to dispose of the church property there according to the provisions of discipline applying to abandoned church houses.

The board of managers of the Church-Extension Society, through their secretary, submitted their report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF CHURCH-EXTENSION SOCIETY.

The sale of the property on Woodland Avenue, Camden, New Jersey, was consummated, and the money paid into the treasury during the year. The Board sent out circulars to all the pastors in regard to Easter Day collection, which resulted in a generous contribution to our treasury. The board authorized the purchase of a lot in Pottstown, and a small temporary chapel has been erected thereon. The lots purchased at West Steelton a few years ago for \$900.00, were sold to S. L. Swartz for amount paid for them. The following appropriations are recommended for the ensuing year.

Halifax	\$ 50 00
Lancaster Covenant.....	75 00
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah.....	300 00
Philadelphia, St. Pauls	300 00
Harrisburg, Derry St.....	300 00
Reading, Boehm's	250 00
Pottstown.....	200 00
Lititz	100 00
Mont Clare.....	75 00
Total.....	\$1,650 00

The appropriations to Harrisburg, Derry St., Reading, Boehm's church, and Pottstown, are to be paid by the Church-Extension Treasury, and the balance by the Branch Missionary.

Easter Sunday is again fixed upon as a time for a special thank offering for the Church-Extension Treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. M. RIGOR.

Secretary.

M. J. Mumma resigned his relation to the Board of Church-Extension, and C. J. Kephart was elected.

On motion of M. P. Sanders, it was

Resolved, That as pastors and delegates of the various charges of the Conference, we will encourage the pastor of Intercourse Charge when he comes upon our fields of labor in the interest of the debt now resting upon St. John's Church.

The Bishop read the report of the Stationing Committee.

REPORT OF THE STATIONING COMMITTEE.

H. B. Dohner, Presiding Elder.

Annville Station—H. B. Spayd.
 Columbia Station—E. Ludwick.
 Ephrata Station—J. F. Smith.
 Florin Station—J. M. Shelly.
 Fishburn Circuit—A. M. Hackburn.
 Halifax Mission—M. B. Spayd.
 Harrisburg, Memorial—S. D. Faust.
 Harrisburg, Derry Street—D. D. Lowery.
 Harrisburg, East—M. A. Salt.
 Highspire Station—A. A. Long.
 Hummelstown Station—M. J. Mumma.
 Intercourse Circuit—C. G. F. Miller.
 Jacksonville Circuit—H. G. Clair.
 Lancaster, Covenant—C. W. Hutzler.
 Lebanon, Trinity—C. J. Kephart.
 Lititz Mission—J. W. Buchter.
 Manheim Station—L. R. Kramer.
 Manor Circuit—W. Beach.
 Marietta Circuit—M. T. Sanders.
 Middletown Station—J. G. Smoker.
 Mt. Joy Station—H. C. Phillips.
 Mountville Station—J. A. Lyter.
 Mt. Pleasant Circuit—H. F. McNelly.
 Mont Clare Station—U. S. G. Renn.
 New Holland Station—Z. A. Weidler.
 Neffsville Circuit—S. G. Kauffman.
 Oberlin Station—E. A. G. Bossler.
 Paradise Station—J. G. W. Herold.
 Pequea Station—A. L. Shannon.
 Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah—J. R. Meredith.
 Philadelphia St. Paul—J. F. Mower.
 Pottstown Mission—F. Peters.
 Reading, Otterbein—I. Baltzell.
 Reading, West Mission
 Royalton Station—H. D. Lehman.
 Ruhl's Station—S. R. Gippel.
 Steelton Station—E. L. Hughes.
 Springfield Station—J. K. Wagner.
 Shaefferstown Circuit
 Union Circuit—H. M. Miller.

Committee on Resolutions reported as follows, which was adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1. That we are abundantly satisfied with the cordial reception and splendid entertainment given us by the kind people of Reading, and that we shall ever cherish them in memory, and hope to meet them again where partings are known no more.

2. That the railroad companies have our hearty thanks for favors shown.

3. That we all concur heartily in the opinion that our beloved Bishop Kephart has conducted the sessions of our Conference in a genuine business-like way, as well as in the spirit of a refined Christian gentleman, and that our prayers and best wishes and hearty support shall be his in the future as in the past.

4. That we are highly gratified with the presence of Wm. McKee, our Missionary treasurer; Robert Cowden, General secretary of our Sunday-school Board; D. R. Miller, manager of the U. B. Seminary, and Mrs. Keister, General secretary of the Women's Missionary Society, in our midst, and their timely and strong speeches in behalf of the different Church interests, and extend to them a hearty invitation to come again.

5. That we continue our high appreciation of the free printing of our Conference minutes, secured for us by Brother Charles B. Rettew, of Harrisburg, Pa.

E. LUDWICK,
Committee.

Supplementary.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Church-Extension Society, be authorized to pay to the treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society an amount sufficient to enable the Missionary treasurer to pay appropriations without incurring debt.

Committee on Ordination's report was adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION.

There appeared before us Revs. A. M. Hackman, H. G. Clair, J. H. Kurtz, and J. L. Wagner, who were examined by us on the questions as per discipline. They gave satisfactory answers, and we therefore recommend them as fit subjects for ordination.

C. W. HUTSLER,
J. R. MEREDITH,
H. D. LEHMAN,
Committee.

E. L. Hughes was elected Conference Sunday-school secretary.

The Committee to nominate candidates for trustees for Russell Biblical Fund presented the names of L. R. Kramer, M. J. Mumma, J. G. Smoker, L. Peters, J. A. Lyter, I. Baltzell, E. Ludwick, J. F. Smith, Z. A. Weidler, H. D. Lehman, and L. R. Kramer. M. J. Mumma, L. Peters, J. A. Lyter, and J. F. Smith were elected by ballot. They also presented the names of D. D. Lowery and H. B. Dohner for professor of Russell Biblical chair, and D. D. Lowery was elected by ballot.

The following committees were appointed for next year:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Missions—H. B. Spayd.

On Church-Erection—J. M. Shelly.

On Publishing Interests—G. W. M. Rigor.

On Education—E. L. Hughes.

On Sabbath-schools—H. C. Phillips.

On Resolutions—J. R. Meredith.

On Course of Reading.

First Year—I. Baltzell, E. Ludwick, E. L. Hughes.

Second Year—C. J. Kephart, L. Peters, H. D. Lehman.

Third Year—S. D. Faust, M. J. Mumma, Z. A. Weidler.

Licentiates.

First Year—S. C. Enck, H. M. Miller, S. G. Kauffman, G. L. Shaeffer, D. S. Eshleman.

Second Year—H. F. McNelly,

Third Year—Wm. Beach, J. M. Shelly, A. L. Shannon.

During the session, Rev. W. R. Templeton, of the Presbyterian Church, was introduced to Conference.

A motion was made to adjourn, with the provision that the final adjournment of the Conference shall be understood to take place with the closing of the ordination services on tomorrow (Sunday) forenoon.

The motion prevailed, and the benediction was pronounced by the bishop.

ALPHABETICAL ROLL OF MEMBERS—MINISTERS.

Time Entered.	Present Relation.	NAME.	Classification.	ADDRESS.	COUNTY.	STATE.
.....	.....	Kephart, E. B., D. D.	Bp	Toledo.....	.....	Ia
1855	E	Baltzell, Isaiah.....	It	519 North 9th Street, Reading.....	Berks.....	Pa
1889	L	Beach, William.....	It	Highville.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1873	E	Bowman, P. A.....	Sy	Penbrook.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1888	E	Bossler, E. A. G.....	It	Oberlin.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1870	E	Boughter, J. W.....	It	Middletown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1889	L	Clair, Horace G.....	It	Enders.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1856	E	Daugherty, J. B.....	Sy	Lebanon.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1875	E	* Dietrich, P. E.....	Sy	1051 North 3d Street, Harrisburg...	Dauphin.....	Pa
1878	E	Dohner, H. B.....	It	335 Lancaster Avenue, Lancaster...	Lancaster.....	Pa
1861	E	* Early, D. S.....	Sd	6th and Kelker, Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1873	E	* Etter, J. W., D. D...	It	Dayton.....	Montgomery.	O
1888	E	* Enck, Schuyler C....	Sy	Clay.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
.....	E	* Enders, George W..	Sy	Enders.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1891	L	Eshleman, D. S.....	Ll	Annville.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1885	E	Faust, S. D.....	It	258 Herr Street, Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1871	E	* Funk, J. B.....	Sy	137 Nevin Street, Lancaster.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1871	E	* Garland, Thomas...	Sy	Powell's Valley.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1871	E	Gipple, Samuel R.....	It	Mt. Joy.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1875	E	Groff, Israel M.....	Sy	New Holland.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1889	L	Hackman, A. M.....	It	Elizabethtown.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
.....	E	Hutsler, C. W.....	It	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1871	E	Hughes, E. L.....	It	Steelton.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1882	E	Herrold, J. G. W.....	It	Clay.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1891	E	Kauffman, S. G.....	Ll	Neffsville.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1869	E	Kauffman, A. H.....	Sy	Middletown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
.....	.....	Kephart, C. J.....	It	Lebanon.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1880	E	Kramer, L. R.....	It	Manheim.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1885	L	Kurtz, J. H.....	Ll	Room 3, Union Depot, Pittsburg...	Alleghany.....	Pa
1887	E	Lehman, H. D.....	It	Middletown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1855	E	* Light, Ezekiel.....	Sy	Dayton.....	Montgomery.	Pa
1873	E	* Loose, George A....	Sy	Reading.....	Berks.....	Pa
1879	E	Lowery, D. D.....	It	1508 Derry Street, Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1878	E	Ludwick, E.....	It	Columbia.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1888	E	Lyter, J. A.....	It	Mountville.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1869	E	Meredith, J. R.....	It	225 East Cambria St., Pennsylvania	Philadelphia.	Pa
1889	L	Miller, H. M.....	It	Clay.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
.....	.....	† Miller, C. G. F.....	.....	Intercourse.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1849	E	* Minnick, S. L.....	Sd	Mechan Avenue, Germantown.....	Philadelphia.	Pa
1869	E	Mohn, H. V.....	Sy	336 Chestnut Street, Reading.....	Berks.....	Pa
1869	E	Mower, Simon.....	Sy	Linglestown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1869	E	Mower, J. F.....	It	2710 Neff Street, Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia.	Pa
1870	E	Mumma, M. J.....	It	Hummelstown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1890	L	McNelly, H. F.....	It	Refton.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1859	E	Peters, Lewis.....	It	Pottstown.....	Montgomery.	Pa
1873	E	Phillips, H. C.....	It	Mt. Joy.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1878	E	Quigley, J. X.....	Sy	263 Boas Street, Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1888	E	Renn, U. S. G.....	It	Mont. Clare.....	Montgomery.	Pa
1854	E	Rigor, G. W. M.....	Sy	North Vineland.....	Cumberland..	N J
1877	E	Sanders, M. P.....	It	Marietta.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1880	E	Salt, M. A.....	It	Penbrook.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1886	L	Shannon, A. L.....	It	Compassville.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1891	L	* Shaeffer, G. L.....	Ll	Dayton.....	Montgomery.	O
1889	L	Shelly, J. M.....	It	Florin.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1888	E	Smith, J. F.....	It	Ephrata.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1883	E	Smoker, J. G.....	It	Middletown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1849	E	Stehman, Jacob.....	Sd	Soudersburg.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1874	E	* Steiner, J. G.....	Sy	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia.	Pa
1871	E	Swartz, S. L.....	Sy	Middletown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa

Explanation.—E—Elder. L—Licentiate. * Absent. † Quarterly Conference relation. It—Itinerant. Sy—Supernumerary. Sd—Superannuated. Ll—Local.

ALPHABETICAL ROLL OF MEMBERS—MINISTERS—*Continued.*

Time Entered.	Present Relation.	NAME.	Classification.	ADDRESS.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1835	E	Spayd, M. B.....	It	Halifax	Dauphin.....	Pa
.....	.....	Spayd, H. B.	It	Annville.. ..	Lebanon.....	Pa
.....	E	Unger, J. H.....	Sy	South Bethlehem.....	Lehigh	Pa
.....	.....	Wagner, J. K.....	Ll	Blue Rock.....	Chester	Pa
1881	E	Weidler, Z. A.	It	New Holland.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1884	E	Young, Joseph	Sy	Annville	Lebanon.....	Pa
1849	E	* Zimmerman, S.....	Sd	Sunbury	Northb'd.....	Pa

Summary—Itinerants, 36; Supernumerary, 20; Superannuated, 4; Local, 4; Total, 64.

LAY DELEGATES.

Harrisburg District.

CHARGE.	NAME.	ADDRESS.
Columbia Station.....	D. R. King.....	Columbia, Pa.....
Florin Circuit.....	George A. Guyer	Florin, Pa.....
Fishburn Circuit.....	* I. Winters	Elizabethtown, Pa.....
Halifax Mission.....	* Wm. Lebo.....	Powell's Valley, Pa.....
Harrisburg, Memorial	C. B. Rettew.....	Harrisburg, Pa.....
Harrisburg, Derry Street	J. A. Kepner.....	Harrisburg, Pa.....
Harrisburg, East	John Good	Penbrook, Pa
Highspire Station.....	I. R. Wensell.....	Highspire, Pa
Hummelstown Station	J. J. Hummel	Hummelstown, Pa.....
Jacksonville Circuit.....	* P. G. Shoop.....	Carsonville, Pa
Middletown Station.....	A. H. Reider	Middletown, Pa.....
Middletown, East.....	Jacob S. Heisey	Middletown, Pa.....
Mt. Joy Station	S. N. Eby	Mt. Joy, Pa
Mountville Station.....	J. G. Stehman.. ..	Mountville, Pa
Oberlin Station.....	J. Missley.....	Oberlin, Pa
Steelton Station.....	D. R. Hoffman	Steelton, Pa.....
Union Circuit.....	* J. Shreiner	Derry, Pa.....

Lancaster District.

CHARGE.	NAME.	ADDRESS.
Annville Station.....	H. H. Kreider.....	Annville, Pa.. ..
Ephrata Station.....	D. S. Von Neida.....	Ephrata, Pa.....
Intercourse Circuit	A. R. Kurtz	Intercourse, Pa.....
Lancaster, Covenant.....	S. R. Grabill.....	Lancaster, Pa.....
Lebanon, Trinity.....	A. S. Light.....	Lebanon, Pa.....
Lititz Circuit.....	Isaac Becker.....	Lititz, Pa
Manheim Station	C. L. Witmer.....	Manheim, Pa.....
Manor Station.....	Harry G. Witmer.. ..	Washington Bor., Pa.....
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	H. W. Dunkle.....	Refton, Pa
New Holland Station.....	David Weidman.....	New Holland, Pa.....
Paradise Station	D. M. Weidman.....	Lincoln, Pa.....
Pequea Station.....	Joseph Whitaker.....	Narvon, Pa
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah.....	* Henry Price	2019 N. Third, Philada., Pa..
Philadelphia, St. Paul.....	* J. J. Shepperd.....	3546 E. Thomson, Philada...
Port Providence Station	David Signet	Phoenixville, Pa
Pottstown Mission.....	Miss Ellen A. Ruth.....	Athol, Pa.....
Reading, Otterbein	Theo. Deysher.....	Reading, Pa.....
Reading, Boehm.....	George H. Knox	Reading, Pa.....
Ruhl's Station.....	Ezra Ruhl.....	Manheim, Pa.....
Shaefferstown Circuit	Jacob Sanders.....	Shaefferstown, Pa
Springfield Station.....	W. H. Wilson.....	Blue Rock, Pa.....

EVENING AND SABBATH-DAY SERVICES.

On Thursday evening Rev. Wm. McKee, treasurer of the Missionary Society of the Church, preached from St. John 4:29 which was followed by an address on Woman's Missionary Work by Mrs. L. R. Keister, corresponding secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society. Both addresses were well received.

On Friday evening the Sunday-school Anniversary was held. Prof. H. C. Deaner of Lebanon Valley College presided. Addresses were made by Revs. C. J. Kephart, C. W. Hutsler, and Col. Robert Cowden, General Sunday-school Secretary.

On Saturday evening, Bishop E. B. Kephart, lectured to a full house on "Africa." The audience was very much interested in the lecture, and many will in the future, take more interest in our mission work in Africa.

On Sabbath morning the Bishop preached from II. Corinthians, 4:16-18. After the sermon Revs. J. H. Kurtz, A. M. Hackman, Horace G. Clair, and J. K. Wagner were solemnly ordained to the office of elder, by the laying on of hands by the Bishop, assisted by Revs. H. B. Dohner and M. J. Mumma.

License papers to preach the gospel were also passed to S. J. Kauffman, Grant L. Shaeffer, and D. S. Eshleman.

The benediction was pronounced, and the Conference stood adjourned, in accordance with the action of Conference in reference to adjournment.

M. J. MUMMA,
Recording Secretary.
Z. A. WEIDLER,
Statistical Secretary.

E. B. KEPHART, D. D. *Bishop.*

CAMP MEETINGS.

SEA GROVE

Will open on Friday evening, July 22d and close on Monday, August 1, 1892. The camp ground is beautifully located on the sea-shore at Cape May Point, near Cape May City, New Jersey. The only camp ground under United Brethren control at the sea-shore. Interest growing from year to year. For further information address any of the following officers:

E. Benjamin Bierman, president; H. C. Phillips, secretary; G. W. M. Rigor, general manager.

MOUNT GRETNA.

The annual camp meeting heretofore held at Stoverdale, Pennsylvania, will hereafter be held at Mt. Gretna, Pennsylvania, holding its first annual session at the new place from August 2d to 11th, 1892.

FIELD OF LABOR.	NAME OF PREACHER.	CHURCHES.				MINISTERS.			
		Appointments.	Organ. Churches.	New Churches Organized.	Disorganized or Discontinued.	Itinerants-Active.	Itinerants—Superannuated.	Itinerants—Supernumerary.	Total Itinerants.
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.....	H. B. DOHNER, P. E.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbia Station.....	E. Ludwick.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	1	2
Florin Circuit.....	J. K. Wagner.....	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishburn Circuit.....	A. M. Hackman.....	6	6	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Halifax Mission.....	H. G. Clair.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2
Harrisburg Memorial.....	S. D. Faust.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2	3
Harrisburg Derry Street...	D. D. Lowery.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Harrisburg, East.....	M. A. Salt.....	4	4	.....	.....	1	.....	1	2
Highspire Station.....	M. B. Spayd.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Hummelstown Station.....	J. M. Shelly.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Jacksonville Circuit.....	S. R. Gipple.....	5	5	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Middletown Station.....	J. G. Smoker.....	2	1	.....	.....	1	.....	1	2
Middletown, East.....	H. D. Lehman.....	2	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2
Mt. Joy Station.....	H. C. Phillips.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Mountville Station.....	J. A. Lyter.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Oberlin Station.....	E. A. G. Bossler.....	3	3	.....	.....	1	.....	1	2
Steelton Station.....	E. L. Hughes.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Union Circuit.....	P. A. Bowman.....	5	5	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Total—Harrisburg District.....		43	42	.....	.....	16	.....	8	24
LANCASTER DISTRICT.....	M. J. MUMMA, P. E.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Annville Station.....	H. B. Spayd.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	.....	1	3
Ephrata Station.....	J. F. Smith.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Intercourse Circuit.....	M. P. Sanders.....	4	4	.....	.....	1	1	.....	2
Lancaster, Covenant.....	C. W. Hutsler.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	.....	1	3
Lebanon, Trinity.....	C. J. Kephart.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2
Lititz Circuit.....	J. W. Boughter.....	4	4	1	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Manheim Station.....	L. R. Kramer.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Manor Station.....	Wm. Beach.....	3	3	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	H. F. McNelly.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Holland Station.....	Z. A. Weidler.....	3	3	.....	.....	1	.....	1	2
Paradise Station.....	J. G. W. Herold.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Pequea Station.....	A. L. Shannon.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah..	J. R. Meredith.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	1	1	3
Philadelphia, St. Paul.....	J. F. Mower.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Port Providence Station....	E. E. Hoffman.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pottstown Mission Station..	L. Peters.....	2	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Reading, Otterbein.....	I. Baltzell.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2	3
Reading, West Mission.....	G. H. Knox.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ruhl's Station.....	S. C. Enck.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shaefferstown Circuit.....	H. M. Miller.....	3	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Springfield Station.....	U. S. G. Renn.....	3	3	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Total—Lancaster District.....		39	39	2	.....	18	2	6	26
Grand total.....		82	81	2	.....	34	2	14	50

MIN.		MEMBERS.										SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.				
Local Preachers.	Ministers Died.	At Beginning of Year.	Received—Full Mem. by Letter.	Received—Full Mem. by Profes.	Died.	Removed by Letter.	Expelled, Drop'd, and Withdrawn.	Members at end of Year.	Increase.	Decrease.	Received under Watch care.	No. Sunday-schools.	Scholars in S. S.—Enrollment.	Scholars in S. S.—Av. Attendance.	Teachers and Officers.	Conversions in Sunday-school.
1		267	6	49	5	11	7	299	32			1	420	347	44	15
		204		12	1	7	17	191		13		5	366	250	102	13
		211		6	1	1	11	204		7		4	251	60	45	17
1		177	3	9	2	5	31	145		32		3	227	133	33	6
	1	322	13	13	6	29	12	301		21		1	373	262	40	6
		65	21	103	1	1		187	122		1	1	377	170	25	60
		331		14	5	14	11	315		16		3	650	400	68	6
		96	1	41		3	17	118	22			1	220	133	10	20
		118	7	7	2		5	125	7			1	166	124	27	2
1		236	4	6	6	5	19	216		20		5	480	275	54	5
		131	17	63	2	2	12	195	64			1	225	160	19	27
		216	2	27	3	7	7	228	12			2	292	195	32	30
		95	2	3	1	4	1	94		1		1	140	75	16	
		162	2	6	3	2	4	161		1		2	395	206	18	
		216	7	17	3	9	2	226	10			3	480	375	52	20
		327	7	47		13	19	349	22			2	500	325	64	20
		230		15	1	8	2	234	4			4	336	225	45	3
3	1	3,404	92	438	42	121	177	3,588	295	111	1	40	5,898	3,715	694	250
		215	8	75	4	10	5	279	64			1	259	196	41	50
		157	1	12	3	6	20	141		16		1	200	126	18	5
		205	3	6	3	18	31	162		43		4	250	160	43	
		140	7	42	1	8	16	164	24			1	190	130	15	8
		259	12	46	5	8		304	45			1	390	252	59	15
		82		17	2		4	93	11			2	150	100	25	
		202	2	20	2	5	2	215	13			1	203	143	29	13
		222		34		4	10	242	20			3	265	235	26	8
		107	6	42			14	141	34			2	140	90	18	20
		221		29	1	2	2	245	24			3	236	150	37	24
		138			3	2	11	122		16		1	187	90	10	
		182	1	32		2	18	195	13			2	160	100	19	20
		95	6	9	2	3	28	77		18		1	200	140	21	
		80	1	16	2		10	85	5			1	155	100	18	8
		75		23			14	84	9			1	125	100	19	5
		46	1	8	1		5	49	3		1	1	77	45	8	
		259	3	2	2	40	10	212		47		1	289	230	42	3
		36	2	14	1		16	35		1		1	85	77	14	7
		143		2	1	2	6	136		7		2	90	80	25	1
1		71	1	32			1	103	32		1	3	235	170	35	19
		115	3	16	1		13	120	5			3	275	200	30	8
1		3,050	57	477	34	110	226	3,204	302	148	2	36	4,261	2,914	552	214
4		6,454	149	915	76	231	403	6,792	597	259	3	76	10,159	6,629	1,246	464

	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.				LITERATURE.							
FIELD OF LABOR.	No. S. S. Libraries.	S. S. Libraries— Volumes.	New S. S. Organized.	No. S. S. Discontinued.	Religious Telescopes.	Children's Friends.	Missionary Visitors.	Lessons for the Little Ones.	Bible Teachers.	Quarterlies.	Botschafters.	Quar. Reviews.
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.....												
Columbia Station					6			100		300		
Florin Circuit.....					12			165		235		1
Fishburn Circuit.....	1	62		2	6			75	12	175		
Halifax Mission.....	1	85			13		40	65		175		1
Harrisburg, Memorial.....	1	460			48			75	45	350		6
Harrisburg, Derry Street..					10			50	18	200		1
Harrisburg, East.....	2	458			10	165	80	125	22	485		1
Highspire Station	1	210			6			50	5	200		2
Hummelstown Station.....	1	418			15	140		50	12	140		5
Jacksonville Circuit					20	60		140	25	325	1	1
Middletown Station.....					13	125	125	75	2	175		
Middletown, East					14	70		120	15	205		2
Mt. Joy Station					11	75		50	15	125		1
Mountville Station	2	452			20			75	30	195		2
Oberlin Station	3	454			17			132		385		1
Steelton Station.....					15	275	275	280	15	425		1
Union Circuit.....					9	75		100	6	235	1	
Total—Harrisburg Dis	12	2,599		2	245	985	520	1,727	222	4,330	2	25
LANCASTER DISTRICT.....												
Annville Station	1	500			25			75	8	250	2	6
Ephrata Station					12	125	125	75	20	200		2
Intercourse Circuit.....					2			75	12	175		1
Lancaster, Covenant.....	1	275			10			35	1	165		1
Lebanon, Trinity.....					63	200	202	100	37	275		9
Lititz Circuit	1	150			3			50	19	150	1	
Manheim Station					10		125	60	12	160		1
Manor Station					8			43	1	265		
Mt. Pleasant Circuit					5			90	50	250		
New Holland Station					12	70	30	70		185		1
Paradise Station	1	300			19					90		2
Pequea Station	2	200			8	20	20	125	1	210		
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah..	1	235			5	100		120	12	125		
Philadelphia, St. Paul.....	1	175			11	100	100	50	1	100		1
Port Providence Station ..	1	150			3		1	75	13	155		
Pottstown Mission Station					8	30	30	20	8	45		
Reading, Otterbein.....	1	240			4			90	6	125		1
Reading, West Mission.....	1	174			1			35		50		
Ruhl's Station.....					6		50	35		140		1
Shaefferstown Circuit.....	1	100	1		9			95	1	70		
Springfield Station.....					2			100		125		
Total—Lancaster Dis..	12	2,499	1		226	645	687	1,408	202	3,340	3	26
Grand total.....	24	5,098	1	2	471	1,630	1,201	3,135	424	7,670	5	51

LITERATURE.			MISC.		FINANCE.					
Woman's Evan- gels.	Is other S. S. Lit- erature used?	If So, What?	Time Employed— Months.	No. Conference Min. Wanted.	Preacher's Salary.	Value of Presents.	Church Expenses.	Local S. S. Collection.	Pres. Elder's Salary.	Bishop's Collection.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$870 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	*\$16 00
4	.....	.....	12	.....	756 00	\$25 00	\$968 00	\$207 00	\$60 00	8 00
1	.....	.....	12	.....	425 00	12 70	.....	132 23	58 00	8 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	384 00	42 00	40 00	54 82	50 00	8 00
1	.....	.....	12	.....	279 75	45 00	180 54	45 95	45 00	3 00
59	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	1,170 00	27 00	2,834 00	224 92	80 00	13 00
22	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	540 00	25 00	4,188 55	230 77	40 00	5 00
2	.....	.....	12	.....	584 00	70 00	4,050 30	269 26	55 00	10 00
12	.....	.....	12	.....	600 00	65 00	295 50	113 02	50 00	7 00
12	.....	.....	12	.....	580 00	50 00	721 24	282 00	50 00	7 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	350 50	25 00	200 00	150 00	50 00	5 00
7	.....	.....	12	.....	575 20	40 00	863 88	277 07	40 00	5 00
10	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	505 00	23 75	457 00	220 73	50 00	5 00
13	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	620 00	74 00	343 13	99 24	50 00	6 00
25	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	650 00	60 00	255 16	150 59	50 00	8 00
1	.....	.....	12	.....	485 10	32 00	72 36	80 79	50 00	8 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	856 00	20 00	2,548 05	243 79	50 00	10 00
2	.....	.....	12	.....	370 00	75 00	95 00	170 00	50 00	8 00
171	.....	.....	204	.....	\$9,730 55	\$711 45	\$18,112 71	\$2,952 18	\$878 00	\$140 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	868 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
25	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	944 00	38 00	253 19	167 95	80 00	15 00
6	.....	.....	12	.....	500 00	5 00	474 58	126 76	40 00	6 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	380 95	20 00	241 78	69 97	50 00	3 00
9	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	1,375 00	55 00	1,049 37	65 37	40 00	6 00
26	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	1,300 00	137 83	659 90	238 28	80 00	15 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	200 25	50 00	700 70	50 00	24 00	4 00
6	.....	.....	12	.....	515 00	46 00	300 84	121 30	40 00	6 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	428 00	5 50	425 00	68 00	48 00	6 00
1	.....	.....	12	.....	203 70	50 00	90 00	30 00	20 00	3 00
1	Yes.	S. S. T.	12	.....	600 00	35 00	304 00	104 00	60 00	10 00
14	Yes.	Pel. N.	12	.....	400 00	50 00	106 77	80 01	36 00	4 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	400 00	82 55	251 56	40 00	40 00	4 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	416 00	44 00	473 50	210 71	40 00	4 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	300 00	35 00	154 00	140 00	40 00	1 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	400 00	40 00	116 39	76 37	30 00	2 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	225 00	20 00	654 12	30 00	20 00	4 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	880 00	40 00	565 75	102 00	60 00	8 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	106 98	10 00	272 65	38 78	20 00	1 50
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	255 00	25 00	20 00	31 82	40 00	3 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	157 00	26 00	65 00	.....	20 00	1 00
.....	.....	.....	12	.....	410 00	40 00	202 75	225 12	40 00	4 00
88	.....	.....	251	.....	\$9,396 88	\$854 88	\$6,381 85	\$2,016 44	\$868 00	\$110 50
259	.....	.....	455	.....	\$19,127 43	\$1,566 33	\$24,494 56	\$4,968 62	\$1,746 00	\$250 50

* Deficit collected at Conference.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

FIELD OF LABOR.	FINANCE.					
	Preachers' Aid.	Collected for Mis- sions, General.	Special to Missions.	Woman's Missions.	Total for Mis- sions. (Omit from final total.)	S. S. for Missions. (Omit from final total.)
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbia Station.....	\$5 00	\$45 00	\$3 85	\$21 25	\$92 40	\$20 00
Florin Circuit.....	3 00	50 00	5 25	5 00	60 25	.....
Fishburn Circuit.....	2 00	29 87	.....	.....	29 87	.....
Halifax Mission.....	1 00	7 40	20 00	.....	27 40	.....
Harrisburg, Memorial.....	8 00	80 00	48 70	231 36	510 06	83 94
Harrisburg, Derry Street.....	3 00	25 00	.....	15 00	40 00	7 00
Harrisburg, East.....	5 00	55 00	.....	.....	80 00	.....
Highspire Station.....	2 00	25 00	11 50	29 00	65 50	6 50
Hummelstown Station.....	4 00	45 00	21 50	87 06	179 81	.....
Jacksonville Circuit.....	3 00	40 00	.....	.....	56 00	.....
Middletown Station.....	3 00	30 00	14 63	6 75	52 38	4 19
Middletown, East.....	2 00	25 00	10 20	.....	80 20	45 00
Mt. Joy Station.....	3 00	40 00	10 50	5 00	56 90	50 00
Mountville Station.....	4 00	75 00	7 75	20 00	139 01	25 00
Oberlin Station.....	4 00	40 00	15 55	9 50	65 05	6 35
Steelton Station.....	5 00	65 00	65 00	31 00	161 00	.....
Union Circuit.....	4 00	38 00	8 59	.....	46 59	.....
Total—Harrisburg Dis.	\$61 00	\$715 27	\$243 02	\$460 92	\$1,741 42	\$197 98
LANCASTER DISTRICT.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Annaville Station.....	7 00	100 00	43 23	157 56	467 29	65 73
Ephrata Station.....	4 00	50 00	.....	29 10	129 10	10 00
Intercourse Circuit.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....
Lancaster, Covenant.....	2 00	30 00	.....	8 00	93 00	36 06
Lebanon, Trinity.....	7 00	100 00	35 39	150 00	425 39	8 44
Lititz Circuit.....	2 00	20 00	2 00	.....	22 00	.....
Manheim Station.....	2 00	35 00	14 00	25 10	74 10	.....
Manor Station.....	2 00	35 00	.....	.....	35 00	.....
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	1 00	15 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....
New Holland Station.....	3 00	25 00	.....	11 00	36 00	.....
Paradise Station.....	2 00	20 00	67 00	83 53	170 53	.....
Pequea Station.....	3 00	25 00	.....	.....	31 00	.....
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah.....	2 00	25 00	2 50	.....	27 50	.....
Philadelphia, St. Paul.....	1 00	15 00	.....	3 00	18 00	15 00
Port Providence Station.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pottstown Mission Station.....	1 00	20 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....
Reading, Otterbein.....	2 00	38 00	.....	52 21	90 21	.....
Reading, West Mission.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....
Ruhl's Station.....	1 00	20 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....
Shaefferstown Circuit.....	1 00	20 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....
Springfield Station.....	1 00	7 00	.....	5 00	12 00	.....
Total—Lancaster Dis...	\$45 00	\$630 00	\$164 12	\$524 50	\$1,736 12	\$135 23
Grand total	\$106 00	\$1,345 27	\$407 14	\$985 42	\$3,477 54	\$333 21

FINANCES.

Church-Erection Fund.	S. S. General Fund.	Children's Day Collection.	Union Biblical Seminary.	Educational Beneficiary Fund.	Colleges, Academies, and U. B. Seminary.	Church-Extension Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Conference Missionary Debt.	Total for all Purposes.
\$20 00	\$3 00	.....	\$14 00	\$3 00	.....	\$50 00	\$5 00	\$22 30	\$2,216 40
12 19	2 00	.....	14 00	3 00	.....	18 84	3 00	.....	752 21
4 00	1 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	15 00	2 00	.....	633 69
3 00	1 00	3 55	2 00	1 00	.....	2 00	1 00	.....	641 19
54 00	3 00	10 00	20 00	4 00	\$49 78	119 33	10 00	150 00	5,137 09
16 00	2 00	9 00	6 00	2 00	.....	32 00	3 00	.....	5,142 42
25 00	2 00	.....	10 00	3 00	.....	35 00	4 30	25 00	5,202 56
5 00	1 00	.....	3 50	1 00	2 75	20 00	.....	.....	1,231 27
12 00	2 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	75 00	30 00	3 00	26 25	2,019 05
12 00	2 00	.....	6 00	2 00	.....	15 00	1 90	16 00	877 50
15 00	2 00	.....	6 00	2 00	.....	20 00	4 00	.....	1,904 53
15 00	2 00	.....	6 00	2 00	4 16	20 00	3 00	45 00	1,395 84
12 00	2 00	.....	8 00	3 00	4 50	30 35	4 00	1 50	1,316 12
15 00	3 00	6 58	10 00	3 00	20 00	65 70	4 00	36 26	1,444 04
20 00	3 00	.....	10 00	3 00	1 12	25 00	5 00	.....	864 42
20 00	4 00	.....	15 00	3 00	3 50	46 46	6 00	.....	3,651 80
8 00	2 00	.....	6 00	2 00	.....	17 00	2 00	.....	855 59
\$268 19	\$37 00	\$39 13	\$146 50	\$41 00	\$160 81	\$561 78	\$60 00	\$322 21	\$35,625 72
20 00	5 00	11 85	25 00	5 00	492 25	87 23	10 00	166 50	2,628 76
12 00	2 00	5 15	10 00	2 00	.....	35 00	3 00	50 00	1,354 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	775 70
10 00	2 00	5 80	8 00	2 00	5 00	20 00	3 00	55 00	1,741 54
20 00	5 00	.....	25 00	5 00	155 82	92 72	10 00	140 00	3,176 94
4 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	2 00	.....	1,060 95
16 00	2 00	.....	10 00	2 00	6 27	31 00	4 00	.....	1,176 61
15 00	2 00	.....	10 00	2 00	4 00	16 00	4 00	.....	1,070 50
4 00	1 00	.....	3 00	1 00	.....	15 60	1 00	.....	438 30
15 00	2 00	.....	12 00	3 00	2 00	27 35	.....	.....	1,213 35
13 00	2 00	.....	4 00	2 00	10 13	18 00	3 00	.....	901 44
15 00	2 00	.....	6 00	2 00	.....	15 00	3 00	6 00	885 11
12 00	2 00	.....	4 00	2 00	3 50	12 00	2 00	.....	1,255 21
7 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	1 50	.....	.....	706 50
5 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	8 00	3 00	.....	674 76
4 00	1 00	.....	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	993 12
14 60	2 00	41 00	6 00	2 00	.....	59 00	3 50	.....	1,875 46
7 00	1 00	.....	4 00	1 00	.....	12 00	2 00	.....	469 91
2 00	1 00	.....	1 00	2 00	1 35	6 00	.....	.....	422 82
2 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	305 25
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	939 37
\$197 00	\$35 00	\$68 30	\$134 00	\$36 00	\$683 32	\$459 40	\$53 50	\$417 50	\$24,076 19
\$465 19	\$72 00	\$107 43	\$280 00	\$77 00	\$844 13	\$1021 18	\$113 50	\$739 71	\$59,701 91

FIELD OF LABOR.	PROPERTY.							
	Number Church houses.	Value of Church houses.	Number New Churches Built.	Value of New Churches Built.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Number New Parsonages.	Value New Parsonages.
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.....								
Columbia Station.....	1	\$12,500 00						
Florin Circuit.....	5	7,000 00			1	\$1,300 00		
Fishburn Circuit.....	6	7,300 00						
Halifax Mission.....	3	4,900 00						
Harrisburg, Memorial.....	1	18,500 00			1	3,500 00		
Harrisburg, Derry Street....	1	7,000 00			1	3,000 00		
Harrisburg, East.....	4	10,700 00						
Highspire Station.....	1	2,000 00			1	2,000 00		
Hummelstown Station.....	1	6,000 00			1	1,500 00		
Jacksonville Circuit.....	4	4,125 00			1	1,125 00		
Middletown Station.....	1	3,000 00						
Middletown, East.....	2	3,000 00						
Mt. Joy Station.....	1	9,000 00			1	2,000 00		
Mountville Station.....	1	6,000 00			1	2,000 00		
Oberlin Station.....	2 $\frac{1}{3}$	6,200 00			1	1,000 00		
Steelton Station.....	1	13,000 00						
Union Circuit.....	5	6,900 00						
Total—Harrisburg Dis.	40 $\frac{1}{3}$	\$127,425 00			9	\$17,425 00		
LANCASTER DISTRICT.....								
Annaville Station.....	1	5,000 00			1	2,500 00		
Ephrata Station.....	1	2,000 00			1	1,800 00		
Intercourse Circuit.....	4	8,250 00			1	2,000 00		
Lancaster, Covenant.....	1	8,000 00			1	1,350 00		
Lebanon, Trinity.....	1	17,000 00			1	4,000 00		
Lititz Circuit.....	4 $\frac{1}{3}$	5,600 00						
Manheim Station.....	1	3,000 00			1	1,400 00		
Manor Station.....	3	5,200 00						
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	2	2,900 00						
New Holland Station.....	3	5,500 00			1	2,500 00		
Paradise Station.....	1	5,000 00			1	800 00		
Pequea Station.....	2	1,700 00						
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah....	1	4,000 00						
Philadelphia, St. Paul.....	1	4,000 00						
Port Providence Station.....	1	2,800 00						
Pottsdown Mission Station..	1	250 00						
Reading, Otterbein.....	1	8,000 00			1	3,000 00		
Reading, West Mission.....	1	150 00						
Ruhl's Station.....	2	2,350 00						
Shaefferstown Circuit.....	2	2,550 00						
Springfield Station.....	3	6,300 00						
Total—Lancaster Dis...	37 $\frac{1}{3}$	\$99,550 00			9	\$19,350 00		
Grand total.....	77 $\frac{2}{3}$	\$226,975 00			18	\$36,775 00		

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Churches.

Appointments.....	81	New Churches Organized.....	2
Organized Churches.....	81	Churches Discontinued.....	

Ministers.

Itinerants—Active	34	Itinerants—Total number.....	50
Superannuated.....	4	Local Preachers.....	4
Supernumerary.....	14	Ministers died during the year.....	1

Members.

Members at beginning of year.....	6,454	Expelled, dropped, and withdrawn....	403
Received by letter.....	149	Members at end of year.....	6,792
Received by profession.....	915	Increase of membership.....	597
Died.....	76	Decrease	259
Removed by letter.....	231	Net gain.....	338

Sabbath-schools.

Number of Sunday-schools.....	76	Sunday-school libraries.....	24
Scholars in S. S.—Enrollment.....	10,159	Sunday-school libraries—Volumes in	
Scholars in S. S.—Average attendance	6,629	them.....	5,098
Teachers and officers.....	1,246	New Sunday-schools organized.....	1
Conversions in Sunday-school.....	464	Sunday-schools discontinued.....	2

Literature.

Religious Telescopes—No. taken	471	Youth's Pilgers	
Children's Friends.....	1,630	Woman's Evangelists.....	259
Missionary Visitors	1,201	Quarterly Reviews.....	51
Lessons for the Little Ones.....	3,135	Other literature used: S. S. Times,	
Bible Teachers.....	424	Peloubet's Notes, and Lesson Pic-	
Quarterlies.....	7,670	tures.....	
Botschafters.....	5		

Miscellaneous.

Time employed in months.....	455	Minutes wanted.....	
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Finance.

Preachers' salaries.....	\$19,127 43	Woman's missions.....	\$985 42
Value of presents.....	1,566 33	Sunday-schools for missions....	333 21
Church-expenses.....	24,494 56	Church-Erection Fund.....	465 19
Sabbath-school collections.....	4,968 62	Sunday-school General Fund....	72 00
Presiding elders' salaries.....	1,746 00	Children's Day collections.....	107 43
Conference Church-Extension....	1,021 18	Union Biblical Seminary.....	280 00
Contingent Fund.....	113 50	Educational Beneficiary Fund...	77 00
Preachers' Aid Fund.....	106 00	Colleges, academies, and U. B.	
Bishop's collection.....	250 50	Seminary.....	844 13
Collected for missions—General.	1,345 27	Conference Missionary Debt.....	739 71
Collected for missions—Special..	407 14	Total for all purposes.....	59,701 91

Property.

Number of church houses.....	77 $\frac{2}{3}$	Value of new churches built.....	
Value of church houses	226,975 00	Number of parsonages.....	18
New church houses built.....		Value of parsonages.....	36,775 00

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